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GREAT BRITAIN.

Warm Debate on Army Matters in Parliament—Royal Inquiry into the Subject Opposed.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—In the House of Commons, this evening, there was a lively debate upon army matters. Mr. WILLIAM HENRY SMITH, member for Westminster, attacked the course of the Government in relation to the army, and Mr. CARDWELL and Lord NORTHBROOK, respectively Secretary and Under Secretary of War, defended the administration of the army from the charges made against it. Both of these gentlemen spoke in opposition to a royal inquiry into the management of the army. The subject was finally dropped without any action being taken upon the motion to ask inquiry which had been submitted by Mr. SMITH.

Action of the Dublin Amnesty Association in Reference to the Riots—A Criminal Action to be Brought Against the Police—Indisposition of Queen Victoria—Extradition of French Communists in England Refused.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The Amnesty Association of Dublin condemn as unreliable the explanations made by the Marquis of HARTINGTON, Chief Secretary for Ireland, as to the cause of the prevention of the meeting on the 12th inst., in Phœnix Park, and they have also resolved to bring a criminal action against the Police for committing assaults upon the people who assembled upon the occasion. At Londonderry but few arrests have been made. Queen VICTORIA is ill. The French Government is reported to have requested the extradition of the Communists who have taken refuge upon British soil, and the reply of the English Cabinet is said to be a decided refusal.

The trial of the murderer of Chief of Police TALBOT has been postponed. The Corporation of Dublin have adopted a resolution expressing sorrow and horror at the Phœnix Park affair. Hon. ROBERT C. SCHENCK, the American Minister, has gone to the Continent. He intends to be absent a month.

Investigation of the Phœnix Park Riot Begun—Demonstration by the Friends of Home Rule in Ireland.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The City Corporation has commenced an investigation into the occurrences at Phœnix Park on Sunday the 6th. The Magistrates have granted summonses against members of the Police who took part in the affray. The friends of "Home Rule" in Ulster have made arrangements for a formidable demonstration to-morrow. They intend to march in procession from Newry to Dundalk, and a collision with the Orangemen is apprehended.

FRANCE.

Courbet's Defense—Why He Joined the Commune—The Reported Arrangement for the Evacuation of the Parisian Forts Denied.

VERSAILLES, Aug. 14.—The defense of M. GUSTAVE COURBET, which was submitted to the Court-martial today, is to the effect that he joined the Commune for the purpose of endeavoring to effect a pacification between its members and the Versailles authorities, and that to his personal exertions was due the saving of many objects of art from destruction during the siege of Paris.

The negotiations between Gen. MANTEUFFEL and Minister POUYER for the immediate evacuation of the northern forts, have so far been without result.

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—The *National Zeitung* denies that a convention has been concluded for the evacuation of the forts about Paris, and of the Departments of the Seine and Seine-et-Oise.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

Prince Bismarck to Attend the Meeting of the Emperors—Narrow Escape of Victor Emmanuel—The Vine Disease Prevalent in Portugal—Bismarck Guarding Against Cholera.

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—Prince BISMARCK has gone to Gastein to attend the meeting of the Emperors of Austria and Germany.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—A dispatch from Rome reports that King VICTOR EMMANUEL has had a narrow escape from death while hunting wild boars.

LISBON, Aug. 14.—The United States steam frigate *Franklin*, and the United States steam sloop-of-war *Plymouth*, have sailed for New-York. The vine disease prevails in Portugal and the wine crop is expected to be short.

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 14.—The most stringent precautionary measures have been adopted and will be enforced by the Danish Government for the prevention, if possible, of the introduction of the cholera into the country.

Rise of United States Securities at Frankfort—Success of the New Treasury Arrangement.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The ten-forties and United States bonds of 1881 have risen considerably at Frankfort in consequence of the success of the new Treasury arrangement. The amount allotted to Frankfort is limited. Pending negotiations, when completed, will enable Mr. RICHARDSON, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to place the whole amount in Germany.

THE WASHINGTON TREATY.

Dispatches from Gen. Schenck—The Recent Appointments to the Geneva Arbitration.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—A dispatch from Minister SCHENCK confirms the truth of the cable telegram that Sir ALEXANDER COCKBURN, Lord Chief Justice of England, is to be the English arbitrator at Geneva, under the Treaty of Washington, and Sir ROUNDELL PALMER, the counsel. It has already been announced that Hon. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS is to be our arbitrator. It is now certainly known that Assistant Secretary of State J. C. BANCROFT DAVIS is to be the agent of the United States. The British agent has not yet been announced. This Government has as yet appointed no counsel. Mr. CHARLES C. BEAMAN, Jr., of New-York, is employed to assist the agent of the United States in the preparation of the cases before the tribunal of arbitration. Mr. BEAMAN is the author of a volume entitled *The National and Private Alabama Claims, and their Final and Amicable Settlement.* Hon. ROBERT S. HALE, of New-York, the agent and counsel on the part of the United States for the claims to come before the Commissioners to sit in Washington, is now here on business connected with his office.

A TERRIBLE CALAMITY.

The Island of Tagolanda Swept by a Volcanic Wave Forty Yards High—Every Living Thing Destroyed.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Batavia papers received by the overland mail via India contain details of a dreadful calamity which has visited the small Island of Tagolanda in the Malay Archipelago, about fifty miles north-east of the Island of Celebes. An outburst of the volcano of Ruwang was accompanied by a concussion of the sea, and a wave forty yards in height swept all the human beings, cattle and horses from the island. The number of persons who perished is stated at 416.

CHINA.

The Corean War—The Second Battle—Disposition of Admiral Rodgers' Fleet—What the Coreans Intended—Results of the Expedition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The following news was received by the *China:* In the second battle between the American squadron and the Coreans the latter had 6,000 men, armed with gingals, and their bullets fell short, while the deadly fire of the American rifles told fearfully on the enemy.

Under the cover of the rank vegetation and the shoulder of a hill, the Americans advanced within 120 yards of the forts before they came within range of the Corean musketry. The Coreans resisted desperately till the last. Lieut. MCKEE was killed as he entered the entrenchments. When the Americans reached the entrenchments the Coreans succumbed. A number of prisoners were taken including the officer second in command, who was badly wounded, the Commander-in-Chief having been killed. On the 10th of June the American force bivouacked in the forts, and next day demolished the forts and spiked all the guns, the fleet returning to the Boize anchorage two days later. The Coreans sent a letter filled with the most insulting and abusive language, to which no reply was made. Admiral RODGERS, however, sent to the Coreans to know what he should do with the prisoners. The Coreans answered he might do what he liked with them. Two days later he set them at liberty, and sent two messages ashore, but the local authority refused to receive them, saying it was as much as his head was worth to send them, and it was no use to attempt to communicate further, with the Court. Mr. LOW, the American Minister, then sent a formal protest that his mission was peaceful, and that the American attack was not for a refusal to negotiate, but because the Coreans had treacherously fired on the boats. The steamer *Millet* was then dispatched to Shanghai with dispatches for Washington. The *Monocacy* and *Palos* will return to Shanghai and be docked, and the rest of the squadron will return to Chefoo and await instructions. One hundred thousand rations were sent to Chefoo. The Coreans fought like men. Their weapons are wretched old firelocks, and their outlasses made of soft iron which bend like old hoop. They were dressed in armor of nine thicknesses, cotton, padded so that only rifle balls could penetrate them. Their swords produced no effect. Documents captured show that the Corean Government had planned the surprise of the American fleet, and were astonished at the failure of the forts to annihilate the foreign vessels at the first fire. The expedition has accomplished no change in the relations of the two countries, and Minister LOW and Admiral ROGERS will await instructions from Washington before proceeding to further hostilities. The English Colonial Press in China denounce the return of the American fleet to Chefoo as having all the moral effect of a defeat. Two Englishmen and one German, engaged in saving material from the wreck of the German schooner *Chusan*, on Sir JAMES HALL'S island, have been captured by Coreans, bound hand and foot, slung on bamboos, and packed off to the interior of Corea. The British fleet has sailed from Japan to inquire into the matter. The Mohammedan insurrection in North China is still formidable. Immense improvements are in prosecution by the Government, including the widening and deepening of the canals, the building of railways, new barracks and a new palace for the Micado. OTTO SEIYD, an absconding commission merchant from Yokohama, had arrived at Singapore. A tremendous typhoon has done great damage at Kiobe recently.

ANOTHER BOILER EXPLOSION.

Wholesale Slaughter at Maysville on the Steamer Chautauqua—Four Persons Known to be Killed and Fourteen Wounded.

MAYSVILLE, N. Y., Aug. 14.—The boiler of the steamer *Chautauqua*, Capt. MURRAY, exploded this afternoon, while taking in wood at Whitney's Landing, six miles below Maysville. The dead, as far as known are Mrs. Hopkins and daughter, residence unknown; Henry Cook, of Corry, a colored barber at the Chautauqua House; Mrs. E. C. Cochran, of Buffalo, was drowned, and her body has not been recovered. The injured are: Mrs. Samuel Bartholomew, of Portland, N. Y.; Alvin Plumb, of Westfield, N. Y.; Cornelius Shaw, of Jamestown, N. Y.; Major Cameron, of Jamestown; Capt. Murray, of Jamestown; W. P. Miller, of Pittsburg, Penn.; D. L. Crawford, of Pittsburg, Penn.; Alfred Cradle, of Alleghany, Penn.; John Bemus, of Bemus Point; F. W. Anshutz, of Alleghany, Penn.; W. C. Davis, of Corry, Penn.; Iduca and Lizzie Ells, and Miss Hopkins, of Cleveland, Ohio. The boat is badly wrecked. Several of the injured will probably die.

THE WEATHER.

Synopsis of Events and Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15.—The barometer has risen somewhat since Sunday night in the Southern and Gulf States, and remains sensibly stationary in the Middle and Eastern States and westward to the Mississippi River. Clear weather has continued from Tennessee and North Carolina to Michigan and Maine. Smoky and hazy weather has been reported from Lakes Erie and Huron, and severe fires in upper Michigan prevent telegraphic communication. An area of threatening and cloudy weather is extending over Iowa and Wisconsin and the immediate coast of New-Jersey and New-England. The temperature from Illinois to Lake Huron is decidedly higher than on Sunday night. Midnight reports are not yet received from the Rocky Mountain and Gulf stations.

PROBABILITIES.

The barometer will probably rise somewhat over the lake region on Tuesday and an area of cloudy weather and light rain will probably extend from Indiana and Missouri northward. Increasing cloudy weather is probable for the middle and East Atlantic coast.

City Meteorological Report.

The following observations show the temperature, &c., yesterday, at the Central Park Mineral Springs:

	6 A.M.	9 A.M.	12 M.	3 P.M.	6 P.M.
Temperature	70	72	73	74	73
Stand of Bar. in inch.	30.10	..	30.11	..	30.07

Wet-bulb hygrometer at noon, degrees Fah., 69.

Attempts to Lynch Negro Criminals.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Several demonstrations have been made upon the Rockford, Ill., Jail for the purpose of seizing and lynching the negro who committed rape upon the little daughter of Rev. Mr. WALTON, but none proved successful. It is said that other attempts will follow. On Saturday the Sheriff swore in as special deputies several men who were engaged in the first attempt to secure the negro for the purpose of lynching him.

WASHINGTON.

The Investigation of Revenue Matters at Baltimore to be Recommenced—Dense Smoke on Lake Huron—Miscellaneous.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Since the change in the Internal Revenue Office there have been several attempts made by parties from Baltimore to have the investigation of revenue matters there resumed. The investigation undertaken some time ago was without any important result, because of the want of harmony in its management. It is not unlikely that a new investigation may be ordered, because charges are made which can hardly go unnoticed, but it will not be begun for some time, at least such is now the expectation. It is certain that if frauds have been committed, they have been stopped, and the revenue collections will not be injured by delay, and the attempts of investigation already made show that the prospect of arriving at the truth is very dismal, and that delay for a time may bring forward some new testimony.

THE SMOKE OVER LAKE HURON.

The dispatch to the Signal Office about smoke over Lake Huron, calls attention to the fact that observations were made here several days last week of a smoke less dense than that reported from the West, but very unusual for this season of the year. A gentleman in one of the Departments, who has devoted much time to the study of science, reported his observations to the signal-office here, for the purpose of having extended observations taken, so that the causes might be discovered.

The following telegram was received this evening at the Signal Office:

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 14.

Chief Signal Officer:

A dense smoke has prevailed for the last five days. Reports from Lake Huron state it is so dense as to impede navigation.

(Signed,) ALLEN BUELL, Observer.

PERSONAL.

Senator PATERSON is in the city. He will return to New-Hampshire next Wednesday.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE LOAN.

The Secretary of the Treasury today issued the following circular:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 14, 1871.

GENTLEMEN: I have deemed it advisable, upon further consideration, to withdraw the loan, for the present, from the market, with the exception of the five per cent. bonds as offered to the national banks by the circular letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, dated 10th inst. This communication relates to the four per cent. and the four and a half per cent. bonds in combination with the five per cent. bonds. Very respectfully,

GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

To Agents designated by the Secretary of the Treasury to negotiate the new loan.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Receipts and expenditures by warrants for the fiscal year ending June 30:

Net Receipts.

From Customs	$206,270,408 05
Internal revenue	143,098,153 63
Sales of public lands	2,388,646 63
Miscellaneous sources	21,562,736 53
Total net revenue	$383,322,944 89
Balance in the Treasury, June 30, 1870	149,506,867 78
Total	$532,829,812 67

Net Expenditures.

For civil and miscellaneous	$60,498,710 97
War Department	35,799,991 82
Navy Department	19,431,057 21
Indians and pensions	41,870,892 12
Interest of public debt	128,576,565 93
Net ordinary expenses	$292,177,188 25
Purchase of bonds for sinking fund, &c.	130,736,147 18
Total net expenditures	$422,913,335 43
Balance in the Treasury June 30, 1871	109,917,477 24
Total	$532,829,812 67

The receipts from miscellaneous sources include $8,892,829 98 from premiums. The expenditures for civil and miscellaneous purposes include $9,016,794 74 for premiums. Indians and pensions show special expenditures for Indians of $7,767,502 22, leaving the expenditures on the pension account at $34,103,390 08. In consequence of the change made by the law of July 8, 1870, whereby the payment of pensions was made quarterly instead of semi-annually, the payments of the past year have been increased about $8,000,000 by the payment of an extra quarter's pension falling due within the year.

CO-OPERATION IN THE REVENUE SERVICE.

Commissioner DOUGLASS has written a letter in the interest of the complete co-operation of revenue officers in the execution of the laws, stating that there should not be any antagonism between different classes of revenue officers, equally and especially charged with the duty of seeing that the Government revenues are thoroughly and faithfully collected. Without the united and hearty co-operation of all the revenue officers there is reason to fear that a large percentum of the tax imposed upon the manufacture and sale of cigars will fail in reaching the Treasury.

ILLNESS OF A VENERABLE LADY.

The venerable Mrs. MARY CHASE BARNEY was struck with paralysis in her right side yesterday morning. She has been confined to her bed for the past eighteen months from the effects of a paralytic stroke. This venerable lady, now in her eighty-eighth year, is a daughter of SAMUEL CHASE, of Maryland, a Judge of the Supreme Court, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and the last surviving child of any of the signers of that instrument. It is a strange coincidence that the last surviving signer, CHARLES CARROLL, of Carrollton, should have been of Maryland, and now the last surviving child of any signer is of Maryland, and it is also a fact that that last surviving widow of any signer was of Maryland, who was Mrs. HANNAH K. CHASE, widow of SAMUEL CHASE. She died in 1848.

FIGHTING OUT AN OLD FEUD.

It appears from a statement made by an eye-witness, that in the affray between MCCARTHY and DARDEN to-night all the pistol-shots, five in number, were fired by DARDEN. Three of them took effect, and MCCARTHY died a few minutes afterward. There had been an old feud between the two, and when they met on the street to-night they came to blows almost instantly. DARDEN was terribly beaten about the head, and after having his wounds dressed, was taken to the guard-house. MCCARTHY'S body was also taken thither to await an inquest to-morrow.

THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Arrival of the Steamer China, with Passengers and Mails for the Atlantic Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—The Pacific Mail steam-ship *China*, from Hong Kong July 12, and Yokohama July 22, arrived this evening. She brought the following cabin passengers: For New-York—Miss Rees and three children, Miss Thorne, Mr. O. Bullick, Capt. Martin, Mr. Remi and wife, Mr. A. Rickmers, G. Gordenshew. For Omaha—E. Kifford, wife and child; Capt. V. C. Creigh. For Chicago—Rev. V. C. Hart, wife and three children. Dr. F. S. Steadman, B. A., Mr. F. Diese, F. Knaptin. For Europe—M. Muller, Capt. Scott and wife, Lieut. J. H. Hodgson, B. A., Mr. Kedo, Mr. Nornilueta, Mr. Fejui, Mr. Mansuma, Master Hiratara, Mr. T. Ajerose, Lieut. Crofton, R. N., Mr. J. C. Nardlow, Hugh Heiley, Thomas Fox, C. Kachmeyer. The *China* brought also 283 Chinese in the steerage, and 45,509 packages of merchandise.

The schooner *Campbell* arrived at Kenosha, Wis., on Sunday, with the wreck of the lumber-scow *Scottish Chief*, picked up between Kalamazoo and St. Joseph. It is supposed that the crew was lost.

THE EASTERN REGATTA.

A Brilliant Scene in Swampscott Bay.

Fifty Yachts Tossing About—The Start—Rounding the Outer Ponts—An Exciting Run Home—The New-York Yachts Carry off all the Boston Prizes.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Aug. 14.—The sun rose yesterday morning on a quiet, dull morning, that did not give very great promise of lively yachting weather. But what there was appeared to satisfy the minds of anxious Bostonians, and by 7 A. M. the little crowds hurrying along the streets carrying baskets of provisions and liquid refreshments, denoted that something of unusual interest was on foot. About a dozen large steamers were advertised to start for the race at various hours from 8 A. M. till 10 A. M., and the projectors of those speculations had no reason to feel bad, as every boat appeared to have a good load. The steamer *Escort* started at 8 A. M. from India Wharf, carrying the members of the Eastern Club and their friends. This boat steamed straight to Salem, where they received a fresh addition of guests, and then came to Swampscott and lay to, to view the start. The greater part of the fleet anchored off Swampscott on Sunday, so as to be on hand early, while some, including the *Sappho*, *Columbia*, *Rambler* and *Wanderer*, passed the light at Marblehead, and came down early in the morning. The *Tidal Wave* did not leave Boston until this morning, and as the breeze was very light, did not arrive in time to participate in the race. The *Fleetwing* did not enter. The regatta was sailed under the rules of the Eastern yacht clubs. In order to be certain to have a good race, four courses were laid, so as to suit any wind there might be on the day of the race. The start was a flying one, the yachts being allowed fifteen minutes to cross the starting-line, between the judges' tug, *Weymouth*, and the stake-boat. The Regatta Committee comprised Mr. W. M. MURRAY, Mr. THEODORE A. NEAL, Mr. CHARLES H. WALKER, Mr. WM. A. PAINE, and B. JOY JEFFREYS. Time was allowed for difference of measurement according to the Eastern Yacht Club tables. The measurement of area for the purpose of this rule "shall be the product of the multiplication of the extreme length on or under the water-line, from fore-side of stem to aft-side of stern-post, by the extreme breadth wherever found, both measures to be in feet and decimals."

RIG AND PRIZES.

Yachts contending for prizes were obliged to carry canvas as follows:

Schooners—Mainsail, foresail, jib, flying-jib, jib-topsail, balloon-jib, fore and main-gaff topsails and stay sails.

Sloops—Mainsail, jib, flying-jib, jib-topsail, balloon-jib, gaff-topsail and stay sails.

The prizes were as follows: A $1,000 cup for schooners and $500 cup for sloops, given by the Eastern Yacht Club, and sailed for with time allowance. The residents of Swampscott gave a $300 cup for schooners and a $400 cup for sloops, to be sailed for without time allowance.

THE START.

The yachts were to have started at 11 A. M., and at that time the bay off Swampscott presented a magnificent marine picture, as over fifty yachts lay tossing around, idly waiting for the signal to start. The breeze was very light, and the Regatta Committee waited for half an hour to see if there would be any chance in the weather. At 11½ A. M. the judges' tug-boat *Weymouth* steamed through the fleet with signal No. 4 hoisted, as a signal that that course had been selected. Course No. 4 was from the starting-point off Swampscott, to the buoy on Davis Ledge, off Minot's. Leaving the buoy on port hand, from thence past Half-way Rock, on port hand, round Pig Rock stakes, on starboard hand, and back, passing between judges' boat and stake-boat, making in all a course of thirty-four and three-eighth miles. The wind at the start was light from the south-south-east. At 11¾ A. M. three whistles from the *Weymouth* gave the signal to prepare to start, and about five minutes afterward another long whistle gave the starting signal. The *Weymouth* took up a position west-south-west of the stake-boat and let go her anchor. The fleet immediately became very lively, and every boat commenced tacking about inside the line, preparing to start. The various steamers, including the *Escort*, the broker's boat, with Gilmore's Band on board, and various other vessels, kept down to leeward to follow up the fleet. The wind by this time had freshened up a little, and there was about a four-knot breeze. The first point to make, at the buoy on Davis Ledge, lay off south-by-east half-east, and as the wind was about east-south-east. They all started on the port tack, leading well up and nearly pointing for Minot's Ledge. The following is a list of yachts that started in the race, with their time of starting and owners:

	Time.
Rebecca, Schooner, Commodore Jno. Heard, Eastern Yacht Club	11 54 24
Tarolinta, Schooner, Capt. H. H. Kent, New-York Yacht Club	11 54 40
Ethel, Schooner, Capt. Church, Eastern Yacht Club	11 55 28
Gracie, Sloop, Capt. Krebs and Johnson, New-York Yacht Club	11 56 15
Idler, Schooner, Capt. T. D. Durant, New-York Yacht Club	11 56 15
Julia, Schooner, Capt. S. Whitney, Eastern Yacht Club	11 56 28
Ianthe, Schooner, Capt. Pickmar, Eastern Yacht Club	11 58 20
Foam, Schooner, Capt. Shepperd Homans, New-York Yacht Club	11 59 13
Vixen, Sloop, Capt. Livingston, New-York Yacht Club	11 59 18
Corning, Sloop, Capt. Tucker, Eastern Yacht Club	11 59 26
Sadie, Sloop, Commodore Burgess, Eastern Yacht Club	11 59 54
Rambler, Schooner, Capt. Banker, New-York Yacht Club	12 00 20
Sprite, Schooner, Capt. Nicholson, New-York Yacht Club	12 04 06
Sylvie, Schooner, Capt. Whitten, Eastern Yacht Club	12 01 02
Columbia, Schooner, Commodore F. Osgood, New-York Yacht Club	12 03 41
Dauntless, Schooner, Commodore J. G. Bennett, New-York Yacht Club	12 04 36
Dawn, Schooner, Capt. P. S. Schelton, Eastern Yacht Club	12 04 36
Juniata, Schooner, Capt. P. Dexter, Eastern Yacht Club	12 04 36
Sappho, Schooner, Vice-Commodore Douglas, New-York Yacht Club	12 06 21
Wanderer, Schooner, Capt. Louis Lorliard, New-York Yacht Club	12 06 21
Vesta, Schooner, Capt. Baker, New-York Yacht Club	12 07 32
Vindex, Sloop, Capt. R. Centre, New-York Yacht Club	12 09 5
Halcyon, Schooner, Capt. Jas. R. Smith, New-York Yacht Club	12 09 5
Alarm, Sloop, Capt. Prebble, Eastern Yacht Club	12 09 29
Glimpse, schooner, Capt. John Jeffries, Eastern Yacht Club	12 10 44
Violet, sloop, Capt. Childs, Eastern Yacht Club	12 11 00
Magic, schooner, Capt. Lester Wallack, New-York Yacht Club	12 12 27
Dreadnought, schooner, Capt. Samuels, New-York Yacht Club	12 12 49
Narragansett, sloop, Capt. Dexter, Eastern Yacht Club	12 15 19
Eva, schooner, Capt. Sylvanus Macey, New-York Yacht Club	12 16 09

THE RACE.

The schooner *Rebecca*, that formerly belonged to Commodore BENNETT, was the first to cross the line, followed closely by the chocolate-colored *Tarolinta*. The schooner *Ethel* came next, with the fleet sloop *Gracie* close on her heels. The *Idler* came next, with the *Julia* and *Ianthe* following close on her quarter. Mr. SHEPHERD HOMANS came next in the *Foam*, with the rival sloop *Vixen*. The new schooner *Rambler* went by ahead of the *Sprite* and *Silvia*, who were followed about two minutes later by the *Columbia* and *Dauntless*. The *Alice*, *Dawn* and *Juniata*, of the Eastern Club, glided gracefully through the water in the wake of the *Dauntless*, and were followed by the *Sappho*, *Wanderer* and *Vesta*. The next on this list was MCCULLIE'S new iron sloop *Vindex*, followed by the *Halcyon*, with the schooner *Glimpse* close behind. The sloop *Alarm* and schooner *Magic* came next, followed by the stately *Dreadnaught*, with all canvass up, and a new jib-topsail that set remarkably well. The *Narragansett* was next, and MCMAIRG'S smart little schooner *Eva* brought up the rear. As there was a little more than fifteen minutes intervening between the passing of the first and last yachts, the Committee held a meeting on board the judges' boat and decided that all whose time they had taken were fairly in the race. This was done to avoid any dispute regarding this point. The fleet all lay off on the port tack, heading well up toward Minot's. The *Gracie* was one of the first to push ahead and quietly passed the *Rebecca*, *Ethel* and *Tarolinta*, and took the lead of the fleet. The *Columbia*, as usual, made some very fast sailing, and passing through the fleet, held a good wind and made after the *Gracie*. The *Silvie* moved along very prettily, but fell off to leeward so much that about 2 P. M. she was about a mile to leeward of the *Columbia*. The *Dreadnaught* was sailing very well, and held the best wind of any boat in the fleet; and, although the breeze was hardly fresh enough for her, she held her own with the best and showed a good many a clean pair of heels. The *Dauntless* and *Sappho*, like old antagonists, stuck pretty close to one another, and there hardly appeared any perceptible difference in the starting, but Commodore BENNETT managed to keep the lead he had at the start, despite the efforts of the other to close the gap. The *Wanderer* was doing very well, and, after passing the *Tarolinta*, *Idler*, *Rambler*, and a number of the smaller fry, held on after the *Sappho*, but could not weather that noble craft. As the fleet approached the buoy on Dove's Ledge, the scene became one of marked interest. The various steamers, numbering about fifteen in all, including the Government cutter, with Admiral STEADMAN on board, congregated to leeward of the buoy, and patiently awaited the arrival of the fleet. The various bands of music on board played some charming selection appropriates to the scene. The first boat in the fleet was the swan-like *Gracie*, who rounded the buoy at 2:37:22, amid a perfect babel of sound emanating from brass instruments, steam-whistles, and hardy lungs. After a lapse of about twelve minutes the *Columbia* came up, and hauling on the wind took down her working jib and sent up her balloon jib and staysail. The noble vessel off the wind dashed through the water with renewed energy, and shot after the fast-receding hull of the *Gracie*. The pretty little schooner *Fearless*, although not in the race, went by next, followed closely by Vice-Commodore BURGESS in his fast little sloop *Sadie*, one of the Lerrishoff build. The *Vixen* was next to meet around, and, although Chester built, was no disgrace to her modeler, and moved like one "to the manner born." Following close after the *Vixen* came the *Dauntless*, who, quickly rushing up her kites, sped along on her homeward journey, with the grand old *Sappho* enveloped in a cloud of canvass following behind some ten minutes. This gallant old yacht seemed to strain every seam to take her old position to the fore, but it was not her day, and she had to submit to the force of circumstances, light wind and no sea. The sloop *Corning* followed after the *Sappho*, with the *Wanderer* next and the *Tarolinta* some two minutes later. The sloop *Vindex* came next, and passed at 3:14:8, with the schooner *Idler* at her heels, followed closely by the *Alarm* and *Silvia*. The rest of the fleet was rather straggling in order. The *Dreadnaught* followed up ahead of the *Julia*. The following is the time of the leading yachts as they passed the buoy on Davis' Ledge:

	H.	M.	S.
Gracie	2	37	22
Corning	3	13	26
Columbia	3	20	12
Wanderer	3	11	35
Sadie	2	56	46
Tarolinta	3	13	41
Vixen	3	2	1
Vindex	3	14	8
Dauntless	3	13	24
Idler	3	15	9
Sappho	3	12	56
Alarm	3	17	0
Silvie	3	18	45

The remainder of the fleet followed in the following order: *Julia*, *Juniata*, *Dreadnaught*, *Rebecca*, and *Rambler*. The run down to Half-way Rock was a very pretty sight, as each boat, running free, dashed over the water at great speed. The *Columbia* proved too fast for the *Gracie's* running free, and overhauled the fleet little sloop very fast, so rapidly that at about 4:7 P. M. she gave her the go-by, and headed the whole fleet. The *Sappho* sailed very well on this point, and gained slightly on the *Dauntless*. The *Columbia* rounded the Half-way Rock at 4:1:9; *Gracie*, 4:20:15; *Dauntless*, 4:30:12,½ and *Sappho* 4:35:5. The *Wanderer* and *Vixen* went by close after one another, and sped on homeward-bound.

THE CLOSE.

The *Columbia* passed the judges' boat at 5:59, the winner of the $1,000 cup, presented by the Eastern Yacht Club, and $800 cup given by the residents of Swampscott. The *Gracie* came by next at 5:12:34, the winner of the $500 cup given by the Eastern Yacht Club, and the $400 cup given by the residents of Swampscott, without reference to time allowance. The *Dauntless* and *Sappho* came in pretty close to one another, but Commodore BENNETT'S boat had nearly eight minutes the best of it on time allowance. We were sorry the *Dreadnaught* did not do better, but there is little doubt when it blows fresh some day she will come out in her true colors. The yachts anchored off Swampscott after the race, but started for Newport at midnight. The yachts arrived as follows:

Yacht.	Arrival. H.	M.	S.	Actual time. H.	M.	S.	Corrected Time. H.	M.	S.
Columbia	5	9	9	5	9	28	5	7	25
Gracie	5	12	34	5	16	19	4	54	55
Dauntless	5	16	57	5	12	21	5	26	8
Sappho	5	22	10	5	15	49	5	34	1
Wanderer	5	34	58	5	28	32	5	36	11
Vixen	5	41	15	5	41	57	5	7	39
Sadie	5	43	42	5	43	48	5	6	43
Idler	5	45	12	5	48	57	5	47	43
Silvie	5	47	5	5	45	43	5	41	58
Tarolinta	5	48	15	5	53	35	5	50	57
Corning	5	50	1	5	50	50	5	31	37
Halcyon	5	50	40	5	41	35	5	40	7
Vindex	5	51	58	5	42	53	5	17	16
Juniata	5	57	37	5	53	1	5	39	14
Magic	6	0	50	5	48	23	5	42	4
Rambler	6	5	35	6	5	15	6	14	21
Rebecca	6	7	20	6	12	56	5	57	6
Julia	6	7	46	6	11	6	5	58	46
Ianthe	6	13	24	6	18	54	None.		
Dreadnaught	6	15	16	6	2	17	6	11	22
Vesta	6	17	6	6	9	14	6	17	36
Foam	6	17	34	6	18	21	6	9	4
Eva	6	19	28	6	3	17	5	53	56
Sprite	6	20	50	6	21	40	None.		
Ethel	6	23	38	6	27	7	None.		

A Mysterious Stranger—Three Attempts at Suicide—Horsewhipping as a Remedy for Misanthropy.

On Sunday last religious services were held upon the camp-meeting grounds at Sing Sing. There were about 2,000 people present, who, with one marked exception, listened attentively to an excellent sermon. This exception was an individual who stated that New-York City was his home and Tammany his saint. After attracting general attention by his odd antics the stranger departed for the river side. Here he avowed his intention of departing for the land of spirits via the Hudson's muddy botonm. As he was about to plunge into the water a charitably-disposed hackman caught him by the coat-tails, and thus deprived the by-standers of an anticipated sensation. At this the stranger, with profane exclamations of disgust, sought the musty precincts of an adjacent stable. After procuring a halter he retired to a secluded corner, and prepared to hang himself. First he placed his neck in a noose, and then climbing upon a chair, tied the halter's end to a stout beam. Just as he was about to jump from the chair a stalwart villager rushed in, and rather unceremoniously cut the halter. Then the stranger said that he would commit suicide "if He died for it." Whereupon he ran out to the railroad track, and yelled for "deep water." A little boy pointed out a place where the river was about three feet in depth. The mysterious stranger commenced to disrobe in full view of several private dwellings. When he had removed all save his undershirt, a brawny hackman charged upon him with a horsewhip, which he applied vigorously. Instead of jumping overboard the would-be suicide went through an impromptu hornpipe. Then he closed upon his assailant. After a brief struggle the stranger concluded not to die in the inhospitable village of Sing Sing. Hastily snatching his clothes, he ran up the track. He was a passenger on the next train for New-York.

The mysterious stranger refused to give his name, or a reason for his strange performances. A TIMES reporter, learned, however, that his wife, who is in the employ of a wealthy lady, Mrs. FRENCH, of Sing Sing, had refused to live with him. The fellow, it seems, is a worthless brute, who, on various occasions, maltreated his better half.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The arbitrators of the Fox and Wisconsin Improvement Company have been in session at Madison, Wis., for a week past, and will continue in session the balance of this week. They are engaged in the examination of records and taking testimony in reference to the history of the improvement grants made to it by Congress, the money expended, &c. Mr. MORGAN MARTIN, who has long been connected with the Improvement Company, testified that the Company had expended $1,500,000.

Mrs. R. T. COLBURN will be arrested today on a charge of poisoning BUFFENBARGER. She will immediately be admitted to bail until Monday, when a preliminary examination will commence. This arrangement was made between the counsel of both parties yesterday.

Judge BAXTER, in the case of A. S. COLYAR *vs.* The Clerk of the County Court of Nashville, Tenn., rendered a decision yesterday, declaring the tax on lawyers unconstitutional. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court.

The Forest City Base-ball Club, of Rockford, Ill., played a game at Ogdensburg, N. Y., yesterday, with the Maple City Club, of that place. Game was called after five innings, when the score was—Forest City, 78; Maple City, 0.

A Convention has been called, to meet in Chicago, Aug. 24, to be composed of the Presidents of agricultural colleges, professors of agriculture, and other persons, of the United States and British Provinces, who are engaged in promoting agricultural interests.

The Commissioner of Patents yesterday refused the application of JOHN E. ATWOOD, of Mansfield, Conn., for a patent for wood screws, and extended the patent of TIMOTHY F. TAFT, of Worcester, Mass., for a shears for cutting metals

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE CITY OF LONDON.

The Inman steam-ship *City of London*, which left Liverpool on Aug. 3, and Queenstown on Aug. 4, reached this port yesterday. Her advices are later by two days, than those received Friday, by the *Main*.

ENGLISH AFFAIRS.

The Season and the Crops—The Census and its Showing—Parliament's Doings—Royalty and the People—Results of "Baby Farming"—Home Rule for Ireland—Spiritualism and its Sect—Religious Topics.

From a Special Correspondent.

MALVERN, Eng., Saturday, July 29, 1871.

A late harvest, probably a poor one; a heavy crop of hay, but little good weather to secure it. In ten years I have not seen such a Summer in England. All weather is the despair of science, but I defy all the savans of Europe to give one plausible reason why we should have had three warm, dry Summers, much of the country parched with drouth, and then one cold and wet as this has been so far. In May we perished with cold dry east winds, piercing to the marrow. June was like March and April—scarce a day one could do without an overcoat or safely leave the house without umbrella. We shivered on the Fourth of July, and there has not been one hot day, scarcely a warm or dry one in the month. Yet it is wonderful how things have grown. The rich crop of grass has lowered the price of butter. Wheat does not look badly, though it will not be cut until late in August, and there are reports of blight. Fruit is plentiful, but poor in flavor, and with so little sunshine I do not see how it can have any. Hops look like an entire failure.

THE CENSUS.

You may have seen by the census returns the large diminution in the population of Ireland. A few years ago Ireland had ten millions of people. Now there are about half that number. This is equal to the extinction or banishment of a nation of five millions. But the same falling off in population is found in several of the agricultural counties of England and Wales. People pour into the large towns as workers or paupers, and the best emigrate. The great towns are growing very fast—London and Glasgow probably the fastest of any. Manufactures increase, agricultural diminishes. About one-third of the food consumed in England is imported from abroad, cattle as well as corn. The populations crowded in towns deteriorate. It is impossible to keep up the recruiting standard for the army. How long is this to go on, and what is to come of it?

PARLIAMENT'S DOINGS.

The failure of the present session of Parliament to pass a tythe of the important measures promised at the opening causes considerable grumbling and uneasiness among the Liberals. Mr. GLADSTONE is not the great man he was a year ago. He is "the people's William" no longer. His speeches are rambling, ineffective, tiresome, because he, poor man, is tired and disappointed. The most important section of the Army bill was carried by a *coup d'état*, clever and audacious, but dangerous. It was setting a bad example to Mr. DISRAELI, when he may happen again to make Dukes and Bishops and govern England in the name of a Queen who seems to have abdicated even the show of royalty, and toward whom loyalty is getting to be a forgotten emotion. The *Pall Mall Gazette* calls upon her Majesty to abdicate—not her nominal power as sovereign, but her proper position as the head of English society, since she will not perform its functions. She may live for forty years, it says, leaving the aristocracy without a head, until loyalty will die out, and the weaned people may refuse to tolerate her successor. The remedy is for the Prince and Princess of WALES to take the place of the Queen, and live in Buckingham Palace with royal appointments. The *Daily News*, not to be outdone in this direction, tells us that:

"Royalty has need of all its fascination and all its romance to blind a people's eyes to the parasitism which it fosters and the servility it creates. Where it is not worshipped as something above the vulgar level of humanity the possession and practice of all the cardinal and all the domestic virtues will not save it from a slow but sure deliquium of public reverence and respect if it sacrifices its primary and essential duty of representation to the pursuit of the comforts and felicities of retirement and repose. The plain truth is that royalty has no right to the advantages of obscure and private station. Royalty, judged in the light of ordinary reason, is so enormous an assumption of superiority to the common lot, that its monstrous privileges may well and justly be made hard to bear."

This sounds pretty dreadful; but the *Daily News* softens it down rather:

"It is not of the cost of royalty that people complain." it says, "but of the cost of royalty in retreat. It is not that people do not want royalty, but that they miss it and regret it. They want to see more of it, to feel its presence as the presiding genius and influence over society, as the visible embodiment and supreme expression of all that is grand and gracious and hospitable and majestic in the history and traditions of the State. They want to see imperial and royal visitors to this country received as guests in the palace, not lodged as strangers in a hotel."

That is, they want a splendid sovereign, a magnificent monarch—not a penurious and shabby one. Royalty costs England about a million pounds a year directly; ten times as much, perhaps, in other ways. But they would not grudge the cost if they only got their money's worth. But you are not to imagine that the sentiment of loyalty is dead in the hearts of Englishmen, nor misjudge them from ill-natured articles in Radical journals. The *Times*, no doubt, expressed the feelings of the upper and middle, and probably of the bulk of the lower classes, when it said, in its own inimitable style:

"We honor and obey the Queen; we crown her and do her homage; we pray for her, and work for her, and fight for her; we accept her as the dispenser of blessings and favors, dignities and honors; we share her joys, and are cheered by her consolations. Good reason, indeed, have we to be thankful that, at a time when the oldest and strongest principles of society are most severely tried, royalty exists here in the meekest, the wisest, and the most unpretending of forms. It offers a symbol of union, a type of family life, and an example of resignation to divine decrees and submission to human laws."

But Mr. GLADSTONE is hedged by no such divinity. He has acted with a "splendid nerve," the *Spectator* tells us, in throwing over the House of Lords by an exercise of the Royal prerogative; but it may be the first step in a revolution which he will have no power to guide, and of which he would be the first victim.

THE WEATHER.

The weather—and as I write, it is more like March or November than July—has been very hard on all the pleasure towns of England, and my favorite Malvern suffers with the rest. There is a blight on boarding-houses, and most of the lodgings are let—alone. Margate is in mourning and despair has settled upon queenly Scarborough. Sea-bathing should be taken with the chill off, and one does not like to wrap up and carry umbrellas to a flower-show. A German band plays three times a week in our public garden, but the only happy-looking listeners I have seen are the swans and ducks. And the Water Cure itself will not do in wet weather. Fancy going through a heavy shower to take a douche, *Punch* has a picture of a man bathing in the sea in a heavy rain, and congratulating himself on the extra shower bath thrown in. At London they have just had a swimming match on the Serpentine, with a cutting wind and cold drizzle, but in that case the performers were no worse off than the spectators.

RESULTS OF "BABY FARMING."

I do not know whether the English institution of Baby Farming has been adopted in America, but it will be worthy of your attention whenever you may think it necessary to keep down a surplus population. In London, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Greenock, the mortality of children farmed out to people who are paid for not taking proper care of them is from sixty to ninety per cent. Even in the "best-managed" foundling houses the mortality is seventy to eighty per cent.; but where children are put out under inspection it is diminished to sixteen per cent. It would appear, therefore, that half of these unfortunate children are willfully or ignorantly made away with. There is no doubt that multitudes die of slow poisoning or slow starvation. An Infant Life-Protection Parliamentary Committee is now making a report on the subject, in which some humane legislation will be recommended. I should judge that more or less willful infanticide diminished the population of these islands about a million a year. Many thousands are smothered by drunken mothers. There is a curious fact which bears upon this and several kindred matters. When convicts were exported in large numbers from England to Botany Bay, they died on the voyage at a frightful rate. No remedy was of any avail until the Government changed the mode of payment. Instead of paying for every convict taken from England, they paid for every one safely landed in Australia. The moment this change was made there were clean ships, good provisions, competent surgeons, and close attention to sanitary regulations, and the mortality was reduced to the lowest point. By which it appears that the fear of Almighty God is no motive at all in comparison with the love of the Almighty Dollar.

HOME RULE FOR IRELAND.

The agitation for home rule in Ireland is coming up in Parliament, but the benefits and otherwise of such rule are exemplified in a bit of Ireland broken off from the main land, a small bit called Tory Island, on the coast of Donegal. The people strictly govern themselves—at least no body governs them. They buy nothing from the main land and pay no taxes. The collectors are driven off, and say it would take a thousand soldiers to collect the county cess. They have no country roads, bridges, court-houses, police, or military. They govern themselves in their own way; and yet, strange to say, theft, murder, and other crimes, not unknown in civilized communities, are almost unknown in Tory Island; and the people are perfectly happy. They only want to be left alone.

SPIRITUALISM.

The English papers are a little bothered just now with spiritualistic phenomena. Mr. CROOKES, F. R. S., and editor, I believe, of a scientific journal, has been testing Mr. HOME by rigidly scientific methods. He prepared, at his own house, a balance constructed in such a way as to show the smallest amount of the force called spiritual. In the presence of Mr. HOME the balance showed the action of an invisible force, which Mr. CROOKS has named psychic registered from two and a half to fourteen pounds. Mr. CROOKES also prepared a wire cage, in which was placed an accordeon, in such a manner that Mr. HOME could with one hand hold the bellows-end of the instrument, but no one could touch the keys. "Psychic force," however, was equal to the occasion, and played the Fellow of the Royal Society several favorite tunes, and even after Mr. HOME took his hand away and placed it in plain sight upon the table, the instrument was seen by Mr. CROOKES and his scientific friends to go on playing in the wire cage, with no visible hand in contact. The *Spectator* is very wise about it. It is only to be ascertained whether the tunes played were known to Mr. HOME or any person present; because, if a man only knows "God Save the Queen" or "Yankee Doodle," his psychic force can play them on an accordion, in a wire cage or locked up in a cupboard. Lord LINDSAY, whom I mentioned some months ago as having witnessed some remarkable "psychic" operations with Lord ADARE and others, has written an account of Mr. HOME being carried out of a window seventy feet from the ground, and brought in at another. Lord LINDSAY, a fine specimen of a hard-headed Scotch nobleman, says he saw HOME plainly carried by some invisible force through the air in a horizontal position. The skeptics call this ridiculous; but as Mr. CROOKES has demonstrated that psychic force is equal to fourteen pounds, why not to 140? Mr. CROOKES is preparing a paper on the subject for the next meeting of the Royal Society, and Mr. HOME is to be married to another titled Russian lady, to the great disgust of some of his monogamic friends, who think no Spiritualist should have more than one wife for time or eternity.

RELIGIOUS TOPICS.

The spiritual condition of the East End of the Metropolis, so far as it is under the charge of the Established Church, is indicated by a statement made by a zealous High Church clergyman, Mr. LOWDER, of St. Peters, who has had the courage to make the stations of the Cross in the streets of Wapping on Good-Friday. Mr. LOWDER says that out of a population of 6,800 in his parish, he has only 250 communicants, but he adds, that this is more than there are in St. Georges in the East, with its five churches and forty-two thousand population. But Mr. LOWDER makes no account of a considerable number of Roman Catholics and Dissenters....The young Duke of NORFOLK, who heads the nobility of England, is doing what Mr. DISRAELI's hero, LOTHAIR, once talked of doing. He is celebrating his arrival at his majority by building a Roman Catholic Church at Arundel, which is to cost a round half million of dollars. The Duke of NORFOLK and the Marquis of BUTE, who is soon to come into possession of the bulk of his magnificent property, seem likely to be the two leaders of the Catholic party in England. The *John Bull* learns "with indignation, but not surprise," that a whole "brotherhood" of Ritualist clergymen have "gone over." Of course there can be no surprise, for all Rituralists, so far as I know, are well on their road to Rome—some going fast, some hanging back and protesting loudly that they will go no farther, but all going. Mr. SKINNER, at Newlands, gets as many as he can into the confessional, and gives "retreats." Clergymen with good livings, and wives, and children travel slowly. Curates without baggage get on much faster. The Ritualists in theory favor a celibate clergy; but if the celibate seems to be going too fast Romeward the best plan is to get him married to some nice girl, who will keep him loyal to his branch. Speaking of Ritualistic confessors, I heard an instructive account of one the other day. He had got a confessional built in his church after the Roman pattern, where, in a dim, cubby hole, kneeling before a pictured crucifix, his penitents could whisper their sins in his ear through a discreet grating. One day, sitting at dinner with his wife, and while a female servant was waiting on the table, he said, "My dear, I heard a most extraordinary story this morning in the confessional," and went on to relate the interesting particulars. The girl who was waiting listened, turned pale, rushed from the room, went to a Catholic priest, and became a Catholic. It was her confession the Ritualist Father Confessor was telling his wife. It does seem likely that those who have hard confessions to make should be in favor of a celibate clergy. There is a lull in the Ritualist prosecutions. The Privy Council have made so many and such conflicting decisions that it is difficult to steer among them and know what to prosecute. Then the prosecuted party is thriving as usual, and to get rid of the State government of the Church, will join Dissenters and Secularists in favor of disestablishment. Meantime Cardinal CULLEN is really primate of Ireland, and takes precedence of everybody at the Vice-Regal Court at Dublin, while it is reported that Archbishop MANNING is to be appointed a member of the Privy Council. The Prince and Princess of WALES are high Ritualists, and very friendly with the Archbishop. MONADNOCK.

ROYALTY IN ENGLAND.

Prospects of an Irish Establishment for a Prince of the Blood.

From the London Times, Aug. 2.

For some time past there have been rumors of an Irish establishment for the Prince of WALES or one of the younger Princes. Mr. GLADSTONE himself indicated that some plan of the kind was under consideration. The present may seem an awkward time for reverting to this subject, for only a few hours have elapsed since the House of Commons divided on an amendment for giving Prince ARTHUR no income at all, and we are afraid many of the working class agree with Mr. TAYLOR and his eleven followers. But should the House of Commons ever be disposed to provide another royal residence, or should the Sovereign or her family determine to purchase a house and estate out of their own resources, it should be in Ireland. It is needless to extol the natural excellencies of the country; rather let us consider the effect of a Court or a royal residence permanently established in the neighborhood of the Irish capital. Up to the present time Ireland might think herself hardly better dealt with than if she were a colony. Till the reign of the present Queen, Scotland was in the same plight, for in former days even princes and peers traveled but little; GEORGE III. never saw either Scotland or Ireland, and GEORGE IV. visited them but once. What Ireland may now complain of is that, while Scotland has been constantly favored by the Court and family of Queen VICTORIA, their visits to the west of St. George's Channel have been few, short and formal. Political reasons, of course, have had much to do with this, though it must be remembered that the most enthusiastic greeting that ever welcomed a sovereign was given to the Queen in 1849, just after the treason of SMITH O'BRIEN and at the close of the long period of agitation. There is all the more reason to avoid the appearance of treating Ireland as a dependency since there lingers in that country the irritating tradition of Saxon conquest and Celtic subjection. In short, the reasons in favor of sending the Court or a Royal household at times to Ireland authorize, we think, some violation of that strict economy to which the members of the Lower House are now urged by their constituents. The maintenance of the Viceroyalty is perhaps bound up with this question. Years ago it was proposed to abolish this office, but the Irish people resented the proposal with great unanimity. The Sovereign has now a worthy representative in Lord SPENCER, but if Ireland were to become the permanent residence of a member of the reigning house, the borrowed light of Viceroyalty might, perhaps, be destined to shine no more.

FRANCE.

The Decentralization Debate—Scenes in the Chamber—The Position of the Rival Parties.

Versailles (Aug. 1) Correspondence of the London Times.

Disappointed in the principal object of my visit to the Chamber yesterday, which was to hear the debate on the prorogation, I nevertheless was fortunate enough to hear a tolerably interesting discussion on the third reading of the Decentralization bill—interesting, not so much from the novelty or force of the ideas which the speakers expressed, as from the illustration it afforded of the incompetency of the Chamber generally. It may safely be asserted that if the favorable doctrine of the Radicals be adopted, and the National Assembly becomes the Sovereign Power in France, it will be the worst Sovereign that France has ever had, so long as M. THIERS is there. This is extremely unlikely to be the case practically, but theoretically it is so now. There is something very appropriate in the external aspect of the Chamber to the character of the events of which it is the scene. With its gaudy decorations, its two tiers of boxes full of spectators—ladies and gentlemen—with its benches full of men in black coats, and its Speaker's tribune and President's chair, it seems to partake in an almost equal degree of a church and a theatre, just as the debates are a curious compound of preaching and acting. There are moments when the whole body of the House seems impelled by some uncontrollable impulse to roar to each other their various opinions about what the speaker is saying; there are other moments when the demon of interruption seems to be rampant and engaged in prompting impetuous members with ludicrous and irresistible suggestions, which go off like crackers in Right, Left, and Centre, and produce constantly increasing explosions, until M. GRÉVY and his ball become conscious from their very impotency. Sometimes the applause takes the form of loud clapping of hands, sometimes everybody seems seized with a desire to move about, and there are incessant calls of "Sit down;" at others everybody wants to speak at once, and there is quite a crowd of men standing at the foot of the tribune, and looking up the stairs, as if they were scaling-ladders and the orators a storming party waiting to take the tribune by assault. The difficulty which the galleries evidently have to control their feelings must make attendance at the Chamber a painful pleasure, and indeed they do not always entirely succeed. Looking down upon the members, constantly indulging in the most animated gesticulations to each other, one is struck by the eager attention they pay to the speaker, whether what he says be worth hearing or not, and an unanimously contradictious nonsense, as if it were sense and open to discussion. Indeed, the perfect gesture, the ready and often brilliant elocution, the fire and the earnestness of the speakers, all combine to produce the impression that they are giving birth to ideas, when, in reality, they are only bringing forth phrases. M. LOUIS BLANC is always worth hearing, though he was not so brilliant yesterday as usual, probably because he had a bad cause to plead, for the object of the left was to show that the Decentralization law, as presented to the House, was an essentially Conservative and aristocratic measure; that the division of France into departments was an arbitrary division, not representing any special homogeneous interests or traditions, and that the effect of beginning to decentralize from the top instead of from the bottom of provincial society would be to throw the power into the hands of the wealthy and educated class, whereas by beginning with the Commune the lower classes would be instructed in self-government. In other words, the Left are only in favor of a decentralization which should unite the Communes together by a common interest, derived from the communal centre—Paris; while the Right are in favor of a Decentralization which should enable the Conseils Généraux to govern the Departments upon a somewhat absolute principle. The true way would be to give the Communes their independence as well as the Departments, as it is evident that the masses require the political education which this would afford; but parties are too divided to consent to meet each other on any such terms. The tendency of the debate was to diverge into a discussion of first principles, the consideration of the specimens we have had of their application hitherto, perhaps the most profitable thing Deputies can do is to offer definitions of liberty, equality, democracy and other terms, which are constantly in their mouths and on their walls, but nowhere else. The definition of liberty which occurs to the impartial spectator of a French debate is the power which it confers upon him who enjoys it to prevent others from holding opposite opinions to his own. The Left altogether failed to prove that in resisting decentralization they were not animated by quite as much intolerance as the Right, and the best that can be said of both sides is that it is a choice of despots.

PARIS.

The Municipal Elections—A Victory for Disorder—The Impression—Advice for the Government.

Correspondence of the London Standard, July 31.

Yesterday's municipal elections have turned out a victory for the party of disorder, the *bourgeois* did not think proper to vote, and the consequence is that the Reds have returned a majority to the municipal council, and that they have succeeded in returning several members of the defunct Commune to administer the affairs of the municipality, and two of the Mayors who held office under the rule of the unclean iconoclast and his incendiary and cut-throat colleagues. M. RANC, who was elected member for the Commune, on the 26th of March last by 8,950 votes, is now elected a municipal councillor by 1,469. M. JULES MOTTU, a brawling atheist, who has done much mischief during the past twelvemonth, has contrived to fall on his feet, and is returned for two places. M. MOTTA was the Mayor of the Eleventh Arrondissement during the siege, and he distinguished himself by shutting up all the schools in his district conducted by the "Frères de la Doctrine Chrétienne," and backed up this piece of autocracy by one of the most blasphemous proclamations I ever read. For this he was dismissed by the "Government of National Defence." The Commune reappointed him, but this citoyen has a keen sense of danger, and he resigned in the nick of time. He is returned by 1,511 votes in the St. Ambrose, and by 947 votes in the Père la Chaise quarter. A certain Dr. MARMATTAN, who was returned to the Commune on the 26th of March (but resigned very soon after) by 2,675 votes, is now elected by 624! M. LOCROY, who has been returned by 3,000 votes, is a prisoner at Etampes for aiding and abetting the Commune. The abstentions were more numerous than they were on the occasion of the supplementary elections to the Commune on the 16th of April. In short, through its own procurantism, the party of order has sustained a defeat. These brave Parisians appear to have as great an objection to contend with their born enemies with the voting bulletin, as they unquestionably have to encounter them with the bayonet. They were too cowardly to fight to protect their own homes against the rougins, and got the soldiers to fight for them. Perhaps they want to vote as well as fight by proxy. As far as I make out, the Reds will just have the majority in the Town Council, They have returned thirty-two members now; on the 23d they returned nine; they therefore, command forty-one out of eighty seats in the Municipal Council. The importance of this Red victory is all the greater, as fully 20,000 of the roughs are precluded from voting by circumstances entirely beyond their control; and as the "Union of the Parisian Press" labored very strenuously to secure the defeat of RANC, MOTTU, and LOCKROY, theirs was the test election, and the fact of their having been returned must be looked upon as a proof that the proletarian war is only suspended. Though sadly thinned in numbers and disarmed, the proletarians fight with voting cards in lieu of muskets; but the bourgeois have not even the courage to vote. The Commune comes out of the contest with the honors of war.

THE IMPRESSION.

The general impression caused by these elections is bad. The organs of the Party of Order's calculations do not agree with mine. They estimate that they have returned forty-four members out of eighty, whereas I can only make out thirty-nine; but they admit that the leading features of these foolishly ordered elections is the return of MM. RANC, MOTTU, CANTAGREL, Clemenceau and Lockroy. Commenting on this, the *Gazette de France* says that M. LEON SAY must reduce the amount of his forthcoming loan, and increase the rate of interest at which he means to borrow. "When the partisans of the Commune are elected to the municipal council of Paris it is inevitable that the city cannot borrow money on cheap terms." The *Gazette* hopes that "after this," the Assembly will no longer be pestered to return to Paris, where it would be exposed to a revolutionary *coup de main*. That is a mere matter of opinion. If the seat of the Government had been transferred to Paris long ago, it is probable that MM. RANC & Co. would not have been returned; but if the fact of their being returned hinders the Assembly from returning to Paris, the verdict of impartial observers will inevitably be that it shows even more pusillanimity than M. THIERS and his colleagues when they ran away on the 18th of March. The *Gazette*, however, a better inspired when it points out that these elections are not calculated to bring about that which is most needed in Paris, a resumption of work. Moreover, Paris individually and collectively owes a great deal—a fearful amount of money—and a Red municipal council is not likely to improve the credit of the city. All this, however, might have been avoided if M. THIERS' inconceivable obstinacy and shortsightedness had not led to these elections taking place. The law enacting that Paris should have an elective town council was passed, if I remember rightly, on the 21st of April last; not because M. THIERS or the Chamber were particularly fond of the municipal franchise, but because they supposed that this law would tempt the partisans of the Commune from their allegiance. M. THIERS and the Party of Order have only themselves to thank for the defeat they have sustained; they have literally courted it. To hold elections just now was to give the Reds an opportunity of protesting against their defeat by sheer force, and against the brutal reprisals which disgraced the victory of the Party of Order. The Reds are reckless, and those who have interests at stake in Paris have shown once more, as they did from the 18th March to the 28th of May, that they are too poor-spirited to help themselves. M. THIERS must have been fully aware of this languid fever, which unmans the orderly population of Paris; but he was too obstinate to retract the false step he had taken. He relies, not vainly, on the state of siege. But in spite of the state of siege and the intimidation which must have kept thousands away from the ballot-boxes, he and the Party of Order have been badly beaten. I confess I am at a loss to imagine what will come next. The new Municipal Council is summoned to meet on Friday for a week's session. We shall then see how the land lies, and whether the majority be really Red or White. In any case, this new Municipal Council will be a divided Council, and at a time when prompt, vigorous and decided action is indispensable, the endless squabbling and empty speechifying that is sure to take place will not promote either the prosperity of, or the restoration of order in, the quondam capital of France.

ADVICE FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

The proper course for the Government to pursue under these circumstances would be to return to Paris immediately; but it may be safely predicted that it will do nothing of the kind. It will continue to leave the International and the Central Committee, or whatever may be its substitute, in possession of the ground which, we may be sure, they will prepare for the tares they mean to sow. And then some ambitious demagogue or some *sabreur* will come forward, and "save society" once more. By remaining away from Paris the Government makes itself obnoxious to the one unpardonable charge—that of cowardice. Those who desert the battle-field must not expect commiseration if they are beaten without ever having fought.

FOREIGN NOTES.

A monument to ALEXANDRE DUMAS is to be erected in his birthplace, Villers-Cotterets. M. MICHEL MASSON, Secretary of the Société des Gens de Lettres, undertakes to receive subscriptions.

The *Salute Public* of Lyons states that during the late great heat clouds of locusts have appeared in the neighborhood of that city. They have bright red wings with gold markings, and produce a most dazzling effect as they pass in the sunshine.

The *Concordia* of Rome announces that in the excavations made in the Palace of Monte Citorio, with the object of completing the edifice destined for the Chamber of Deputies, there has been found a colossal torso in white marble, representing Hercules, with a lion's skin over the shoulder.

Mr. DALRYMPLE, M. P. for Bath, will sail for North America on the 24th inst. for the purpose of collecting information in respect to the working of the American system of treating habitual drunkards. Mr. DALRYMPLE will visit Canada in the first instance, and will then pass to the United States.

The Moscow *Gazette* publishes the following return respecting the spread of cholera in Russia: On the 17th of July 100 persons were attacked with cholera in Wilna and 40 died; on the 18th 62 were attacked and 30 died; on the 19th the cases of illness rose to 281. At Riga hospitals are already established for the exclusive use of cholera patients, and physicians are kept on duty day and night. The epidemic is approaching the Prussian frontier.

Canon POPE, of Dublin, having sent to Chiselhurst a book recently ipublished by him in reference to the Vatican Council, has received the following autograph reply: "Chiselhurst, July 29, 1871.—I have received, M. l'Abbé, the book you have forwarded to me. I have read it with interest, and you are indeed quite correct in saying that the regeneration of France can be effected by no other means than a régime based on religion, conscience, and morality.—Accept, &c., NAPOLEON."

An expensive book was lately sold in England. The finest copy known of the *Speculum Humanæ Salvationis* had been disposed of in the library of the late Lord L. ISLIS. It was the first edition, the whole of the text printed from wooden blocks, with movable types, and the wood-block cuts are at the top of each page. This specimen of the books printed from wooden blocks, which have excited so much controversy as connected with the claim of Holland to the invention of printing, was in the finest possible condition. The cuts are uncolored, and not pasted together as they generally are. It was bought for £525 by Mr. QUARITCH.

It may not be generally known that there are now in Austria two systems of promotion—by seniority and by selection. A fixed quota of vacancies in each regiment are filled by selection, and the rest (and most numerous) by seniority. In the artillery and engineers it has been found most effectual to vest the power of selection in the officers themselves, who in such cases usually elect the best man to the vacancy, as they are mostly far better acquainted with each other's qualities than the commanding officer.

It is stated by the *Levant Herald* that Lord DALLING sounded the Turkish Government with the view of obtaining its consent to the transfer of the Suez Canal to an English company, and that in principle he obtained that consent, subject, however, to certain conditions. These conditions are, that in order to have some guarantee of its own military rights over the Isthmus, the three forts begun by the Khedive at Port Said, Ismailia, and Suez shall be garrisoned by Turkish troops. The *Levant Herald* thinks that nothing could be fairer than this proposal, but it doubts whether the Khedive will view the matter in the same light.

The Paris *Gaulois* says: "The Pope's Nuncio had an interview with M. THIERS on July 30. Mgr. CHIGI spoke of the intention of the Pope to quit Rome, and go and seek the hospitality of Malta or Spain. M. THIERS showed himself decidedly opposed to such a step. 'There is,' he said to the Nuncio, 'a French proverb which declares that he who quits his place loses it. The Pope, in quitting Rome, compromises the future of the Holy See. His presence at Rome is at least an eloquent protestation against what passes there. I have no counsel to give to his Holiness; but were I in his place I would not budge—I would wait.'"

The Italian Government has expressed itself, on the whole, highly satisfied with the language held by M. THIERS on the question of Rome. While it understands that the French Government cannot accept its acts in so absolute a sense as to bar all future action on the part of France in the matter, it nevertheless expected, considering its open violation of the Convention of September, a more unfavorable attitude on the part of M. THIERS, and is agreeably surprised to find that he has resisted the pressure of the Right in a manner rendered necessary, in fact, by the exigencies of his position. The *Univers* and other clerical organs have not, however, abandoned the campaign, and have petitioned that no Minister be accredited by the French Government to the Court of VICTOR EMMANUEL at Rome.

According to advices received by the *Patrie* from Algeria, public opinion in the colony is much excited by the continuance of the insurrection, which displays unexpected tenacity and persistence. The troops are quite equal to their duties; they proceed with devotion and activity to the places threatened, and fight whenever they meet with the enemy; but the insurrection is no sooner put down at one spot than it breaks out at another, and the struggle that was considered at an end is constantly being resumed. Should it continue much longer, the French Army in Africa will, the *Patrie* thinks, be raised to 100,000 men. At the commencement it was fixed at 40,000 men, and has since been increased to nearly 80,000 men.

The London *Standard* has been requested to state that what Mr. DISRAELI said in the House of Commons with reference to the annuity to Prince ARTHUR was, that since the relinquishment of the Crown estates by Her Majesty in the year 1837, their net rental had increased £150,000 per annum, while the Civil List had, of course, remained stationary; that the country was already a gainer by the arrangement to that amount; that if a right had been reserved to Her Majesty in 1837 to charge the Crown estates for all her younger children according to the scale which Parliament has already recognized, there would only be an annual charge on those estates to the amount of £69,000 per annum, and the country would still be a gainer of the difference between that annual sum of £69,000 and £150,000 per annum.

The death of a veteran archæologist, CHARLES FELIX TEXIER, is to be recorded. Born in 1802, he early applied himself to archæological studies. In 1833 he received a mission from the French Government to investigate Asia Minor. During four expeditions, undertaken within the space of ten years, he acquired a great deal of most valuable antique remains now in the Paris museums. Two valuable works of his are particularly to be mentioned, viz., the *Description of Armenia, Persia and Mesopotamia*, and chiefly the *Description of Asia Minor*, edited jointly by him and Mr. PULLEN, in both French and English. Toward the publication of the second part of this work the State had granted him a credit of 100,000 francs.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Economist* writes, under date July 27: "The idea of an income tax, in spite of the opposition of M. THIERS, is gaining favor in the Parliament and even among the public. The impost is, in truth, the only one that can do what ought to have been done years ago—make this rich contribute according to their means to the public expenses, and prevent the poor from paying more than their fair share. If this had been done twenty-five or thirty years ago, Socialism would not have spread, and in all probability there would have been no revolution in 1848, and certainly there would have been no Commune in 1871. But, unfortunately, France has always been in the hands of statesmen of the THIERS stamp."

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

CARL SCHURZ has been invited to speak in Nashville, Tenn.

Savannah, Ga., occupies the second place as a cotton centre.

The only elections of importance to be held in September will be in California and Maine. The former will be most vigorously contested.

Vermont's elections are hereafter to be held biennially. There will be no election in that State this year.

Hon. J. PROCTOR KNOTT's last joke was an elaborate argument against the new departure before a crowd of Kentucky Democrats.

Some of the Oregon papers apparently think there is too much romance about the stories of "the strange and romantic life" of JOAQUIN MILLER, now current in the East.

Several members of the Second Connecticut Heavy Artillery will start on Saturday for Virginia, to visit the battle-fields, expecting to be gone ten days.

Democratic papers in Kentucky are demanding of the next Legislature a Registration act. Therein, at least, they differ from Tammany.

Some of the Virginia conservative newspapers seem apprehensive of divisions to arise from the State Conservative Convention soon to be held "for consultation."

Mr. WILL. M. CARLETON is reciting some of his poems, before pleased audiences, in Michigan towns. He is to read a new poem in Detroit on the 1st of September, for the benefit of the Young Men's Christian Association.

A negro is reported to have found a buried iron chest containing a large amount of money, near Mobile. As the story runs, (it is a very doubtful one,) he was cutting down a tree, and his ax struck against the chest.

GEORGE SEIFERT, of Cleveland, Ohio, who kicked his brother to death, has been bound over in the sum of $1,000 for trial on a charge of manslaughter. It is claimed that the act was done in self-defense.

The Paterson *Press* urges upon the Republicans of New-Jersey the necessity of nominating for Governor a man pure in record and known to be eminently capable, that they may enter the campaign with a reasonable prospect of success.

They have a severe attack of railroad fever at Puget Sound. One of the papers closes a long article with: "Then blow ye winds! put your shoulders to the wheel, ye steam gods! and hasten on the time for which we are looking, longing, dying!"

The Montgomery (Ala.) *Advertiser* stakes its reputation for truth on the statement that a Mrs. TUCK, now living in Halifax County, Va., year before last, gave birth to three boys at a time, and week before last to four boys, and that she is now "doing well."

What whisky may do is shown by the St. Louis *Democrat*, which describes how a Deputy United States Marshal got drunk, lost a prisoner, was himself arrested by the Police, was dismissed by the Marshal, was put off a train of cars, and was run over and killed, all in one day.

Mr. FREDERICK HEROLD, editor of a German illustrated paper published in St. Louis, died in that city of diphtheria on Friday, at the age of twenty-eight years. He was a Bavarian by birth, and his father is at this time Professor of Greek and Latin in the University of Nuremburg, Bavaria.

The Knights Templar of Connecticut are to have a three days' encampment and drill in West Haven, beginning on Tuesday, Aug 29. About 400 Sir Knights are expected to be present, representing ten commanderies of the State. On the last day of the encampment a visit is expected from a New-York commandery, and the line will be reviewed by Gov. JEWELL.

The Mobile *Register* thinks it will be a shame if the "departure" is insisted upon, and allowed to disturb the harmony and endanger the triumph of the Democratic Party. It insists that it is a firebrand, say what men will, and that every patriot hand in the Democratic ranks should be swift to seize and cast it from out the family circle.

It was in the Massachusetts Republican Convention which nominated Gov. BULLOCK for the last time that HON. ALEXANDER H. RICE received 110 votes. The Boston *Traveller* makes the correction, and says that Gov. CLAFLIN has been nominated by acclamation by each of the three Conventions which have presented his name to the people.

The will of the late CHARLES HOSMER gives $25,000 to the Hartford Theological Institute, to be used in aid of poor young divinity students; to the Hartford Hospital, $5,000; to the American Bible Society of New-York, $2,500; to the American Tract Society of New-York, $2,500; to the Board of Foreign Missions, $2,500; to the Charitable Society of Hartford, $1,000; and to the Widows' Society of Hartford, $1,000.

A lady, impelled by the demands of fashion to seek recreation (!) in the country during the Summer months, writes back despairingly: "Did you ever revel in the gayeties of a half-grown, torpid village, where a walk to the grave-yard was the only recreation, and where, if you indignantly refused to walk, you were shudderingly reminded, 'Ah, poor child, you may *have* to go there soon?'"

One of the Democratic papers in Texas, which is very free to express its honest sentiments, says: "We want no departures, but a strict adherence to the Government of the fathers—a white man's Government—controlled and upheld by white men, for the benefit of the posterity of white men, and them only. Hence, away with the Fifteenth Amendment. State sovereignty and white supremacy—less than this is servitude most vile."

Peoria, Ill., complains of injustice done it in some respects recently, and claims to be perfectly solvent. The *Transcript* says that the city is, and has been able to pay dollar for dollar of its indebtedness. The total valuation of the city, according to the last assessment, is $13,-113,430. The total debt of the city is $1,043,246 66, for the payment of which she holds interest-paying bonds and cash to the amount of $373,-664 80, and real estate to the amount, at assessor's valuation, of $617,810, leaving but $51,-772 10 of the city indebtedness which is not actually secured by property owned by the city as such. The average taxation for several years past has been about one and a half per cent.

The Chicago *Post* has been making some investigation into the manner in which steam navigation on the lakes is conducted, and has come to the conclusion that Western steamers are no better managed than was the *Westfield*. the Steam-boat law, it says, is evaded constantly by owners, Captains, engineers and Inspectors, and there in an urgent necessity for immediate and thorough reform. One officer said that the same conditions which caused the *Westfield* explosion exist in the majority of Western and Southern, as well as Eastern steamers. The boilers are old and badly taken care of; the engineers are ignorant and badly paid; the Inspectors are careless, and the whole management needs investigation and reform.

The willful neglect of so many honest citizens in all our large cities to vote, moves the St. Louis *Democrat* to say: "It ought to be made disreputable not to vote. He who selfishly fails to vote is as thoroughly bribed as the wretch who pockets a dollar for his vote. The intelligent and respectable citizen finds himself just at present too comfortable, or too lucratively engaged, or too much in danger of losing a few dollars, or of failing to make quite as much money as he might, and so declines to vote, for a consideration. In effect, his absence from the polls counts just one vote on the side opposite to that he would have voted for. Thus, he has voted for the enemy or for a bad man, for a consideration. This is the naked fact, and it ought to brand the non-voter with dishonor."

The statement published herein, a few days ago, that the moral portions of Rhode Island complain that Providence has too much influence in their Legislature, and that this is a complaint never heard in any other State in the Union, has elicited from the Providence *Herald* a long and very serious article, in which it labors to show that to other cities also is applicable the charge which, it imagines, we made against the City of Providence alone. For the benefit of dull people, and the amusement of others, Artemus Ward used to attach a label, "this is a goak," wherever he thought it admissable. For the sake of the *Herald*, it is, perhaps, to be regretted that this precedent was not followed in the instance alluded to, as that journal seems totally oblivious to the fact that its city has not an exclusive right to its name.

That the Republican ticket will receive in Alleghany County, Penn., a majority ranging from 8,000 to 13,000 is not doubted by the Pittsburg *Gazette*. Of the manner in which the canvass is being conducted it says: "As we have two important State officers to elect, those of Auditor and Surveyor Generals, in addition to our county and legislative ticket, it becomes highly necessary and important that our majority be made as large as possible, as it goes to swell the vote on the State ticket, and may decide the election. From all the information we can receive, the canvass in other parts of the State, and, indeed, we may say in every part of it, promises to be warm and exciting. The desperate efforts the Democracy are making to induce the people to believe their insincere professions of friendship for the principles of Republicanism, are seen on every hand. Very little noise or outside show will be made by them in our State and Ohio, for fear the secret intentions of our enemy shall

THE WESTFIELD DISASTER.

Testimony of Prof. Thurston, United States Inspector Mathews and Mr. Lighthall—Results of a Scientific Examination of the Boiler.

The inquest into the cause of the death of the victims of the *Westfield* disaster was continued yesterday by Coroner KEENAN in the Chamber of the Board of Assistant Aldermen.

Prof. R. H. THURSTON stated that he had examined the boiler of the *Westfield*, now lying at the foot of Twelfth-street, East River, and read the following paper containing an elaborate scientific detail of the result of his examination.

The following is an abstract of the paper:

The explosion did not seem to have been one of unusual violence: more striking effects had been produced by the explosion of smaller boilers. He described the iron of which the boiler was composed, its thickness, the number of parts into which it is divided and their relative bearing on each other, &c. Examining the iron of the injured portion of the boiler, its appearance was generally that of a fair quality, of what was known as "Charcoal No 1," which brand stood next but one in quality to the exceptionably good iron known as the best flange iron. In some places the sheets were made of laminæ imperfectly welded together, owing to the incomplete exclusion of impurities when in process of manufacture at the rolling mill. This was an imperfection of frequent occurrence, but it rarely seriously reduced the tensile strength of the metal. The sheets retain almost their original thickness, except in spots of limited area, where patches had been applied. After examining the boiler he (Prof. THURSTON) as directed, associated himself with Messrs. MOSES BUTCHER, CHARLES W. COPELAND and W. W. VANDERBILT, a Board of Inspectors appointed by Supervising Inspector DIXON LOW, and proceeded with them in the examination of the steam-chest and safety-valves of the *Westfield*, and the casting iron from the boiler. We tested this guage by comparison with a carefully-measured mercury column up to thirty-five pounds pressure, and it was found practically correct. The difference in reading as about twenty-five pounds to twenty-seven pounds being less than a half pound, and the maximum degree of variation being at very low pressures, one and seven-tenths pounds. This was an unusual degree of accuracy. Here the report goes on to state minutely the examination of the safety-valve, which, after being properly adjusted and tried, blew off at twenty-four pounds to twenty-four and a half pounds of steam. On a second trial, with proper arrangements, the steam blew off at a pressure of twenty-eight pounds. On a third trial the steam blew off to thirty-three pounds, this being the maximum pressure at which it would retain steam entirely. After describing the thickness, &c., of the valve, the report stated how the "Government" or "lock up" safety-valve was also tried in a similar manner. This valve, with the weight set at twenty-seven pounds, by the scale on the lever, blew off at thirty-two pounds pressure, by the test gauge. It may probably have been sufficient to cause the explosion to cause this discrepancy. The remaining test by the Board was that of the iron of which the boiler was built. Here the specimens were cut from the course thrown off from the middle of the boiles, and numbered Nos. 1 to 6, inclusive, to examine the sheet, and Nos. 7 to 12, inclusive, were cut lengthwise. Each of these pieces was reduced at the smallest part, an area of cross section, as nearly equal to one-sixth of an inch as was possible. The exact section of each piece was then determined accurately—the greater dimension by a Darling, Browne & Sharpe "micrometer" scale, reading to thousandths of an inch, the smaller dimensions by a Browne & Sharpe "micrometer thickness gauge" of equal delicacy. He then described the breaking of each piece, and gives the length, thickness, width, &c., in a form of a very elaborate figure table. The broken pieces were also broken cold and submitted to a further test on an anvil. The report found out the fact that Prof. ALBERT R. LEEDS, Chemist of the Stevens Institute of Technology, had made two determinations of the specific gravity of the boiler taken from the *Westfield*, and had obtained the same result in each case, viz., 7.6 at 72° Fahrenheit. The irregularity in strength of the iron from the *Westfield* indicated a weakening effect of the explosion from wrenching and twisting, and from its laminated structure. Its behavior and appearance, when subjected to the test of breaking cold, indicated that the metal itself was of good quality, although made into sheets of bad medium value; its extension under the breaking strain also confirmed this conclusion; the explosion of steam-boilers may be invariably ascribed to some very simple and perfectly natural cause. In one lot of 1,046 exploded boilers, a list of which he found in a professional pamphlet, he found that 207 exploded from unsupported causes, 145 from corrosion and deterioration, 137 from over-pressure, 125 from faults of construction, 119 from collapse of internal flues, 114 from low water, and 9 from extraneous causes, as lightning, &c. Durning 1870 over 160 disastrous explosions occurred in the United states from perfectly "simple and controllable" causes. An engineer after an accident almost invariably looks first for evidence of overheating of the iron in consequence of insufficient water, but no such evidence of carelessness on the part of the engineer had been found in the *Westfield*. The cause of the explosion, which would naturally suggest itself would be an excessive steam pressure, in consequence of false indications of the steam-gauge, or from a wrongly-set valve. A third cause, which somewhat suggested itself to professional men, was the development of gas and its ignition in the boiler; the *Westfield's* boiler was a very common and generally considered a good design for a boiler; it might be produced internally by bad feed water, or externally by dampness or water leaking from the boiler, either unseen or neglected, as it is always dangerous to have any portion of a boiler concealed from observation; lines of weakness existed in the *Westfield's* boiler and calking tool. Prof. THURSTON omitted all reference to the inspection as a means of preventing explosiveness, and concluded his report by the expression of a hope that the investigation would come to a deeper determination in regard to the disaster.

JOHN H. MATHEWS, United States Local Inspector of Steam Boilers, was next examined: He did not consider it his duty to examine vessels when owners; inspected the *Westfield* on the 12th of June last. Witness described the nature of the examination which he made, which has already been published in his testimony given before the Board of Inspectors. By law did not oblige him to go inside boilers, but he sometimes had done so, when he had noticed that there was a rule of the Board of Supervising Inspecting Inspectors to examine the interior of the boilers. He made further admitted that he was bound by those rules; that his recent inspection he did not comply with the rules enacted to; he did not go inside to inspect the boiler; it would take up too much time to do so, and he might remain a month in so short a time as that. He could not detect a flaw; the cause of the explosion, in his opinion, a greater pressure than the boiler could bear; he thinks it must have been thirty-five pounds of steam which caused it; but could not tell how the occurred. The Government safety-valve being set at twenty-seven pounds; he would prefer an engineer who was able to read and write to one who was ignorant of these branches of education.

WILLIAM A. LIGHTHALL, of Brooklyn, an engineer, was next examined. He inspected boilers by a hammer, and could detect a crack by the sound. He examined the *Westfield*, since the explosion; he could not call it an explosion, but a rupture; one of the horizontal sheets was broken, and he believed it was broken when the boiler was made, and that consequently the boiler was weak from the beginning; thirty pounds of steam were sufficient to drive the boiler to pieces; there was no indication of low water wherever in the *Westfield*, and consequently it was not an explosion, but a rupture which took place; explosions take place from superheated steam, but rupture take place from weakness.

The inquiry was then adjourned until 9½ o'clock this morning.

Another Quarantine Outrage.

There is now at the Lower Quarantine a bark, the *Samuel B. Hale*, which left Buenos Ayres about eight weeks ago, in company with the *Ella* and *Silas Fish*, loaded with hides, and all three consigned to one of the largest leather business firms in this City. The *Samuel B. Hale*, although there has been no sickness on board, is detained at the Lower Quarantine by the authority of Dr. CARNOCHAN. The *Ella* and *Silas Fish*, in the meantime, have arrived at their port of destination, Boston; have been examined by the Health Officer, permitted to pass, and are now unloading at the wharf. The *Samuel B. Hale*, which has, unfortunately fallen into the hands of our New-York Quarantine authorities, has on board over 22,000 hides, which the owner can have lightered up to the City by reasonable parties for two cents per hide, or for $640. The hides to be moved, except in his lighters, for which he charges ten cents per hide, or $3,200. Here are $2,560 levied upon a single bark. The result of this is that no more vessels in this trade will come to this port. The charges make it impossible for them to do so and receive a freight with hides intended for this port go to Boston, and their cargoes are transhipped hither by rail.

The Midnight Murder—Post-Mortem Examination.

All the facts attending the homicide at Eighth-avenue and Thirty-sixth-street, where PATRICK MCNAMARA was killed, as is alleged, by JOHN KEEFE, have been published in the TIMES so far as they have yet been ascertained. Dr. MARSH, Deputy Coroner, yesterday made a post-mortem examination of the deceased, and found that death had been caused by a blow on the right temple bone, apparently given by a stone or some blunt instrument. Coroner YOUNG has fixed Wednesday for holding the inquest, when probably Capt. CAFFREY will have obtained additional evidence. KEEFE, who is accused of the crime, is in the meantime locked up at the Twentieth Precinct Station House.

Excursion of Ocean Lodge I. O. O. F.

The twenty-fourth anniversary of Ocean Lodge No. 110, I. O. O. F., was celebrated yesterday by an excursion to Long Branch. The members of the organization, together with numerous friends, enjoyed a delightful trip up and down the Bay on the steamer *Plymouth Rock*, and an instrumental concert on board of the vessel under the direction of Mr. D. L. DOWNING, beside spending a few pleasant hours at Long Branch. Among those who participated in the festivities were John M. Beck, Master of the Lodge; Mortimer Green, John J. Hawkins, Charles Vandervoort, Grand Secretary of Odd-fellows; Charles Hoffman, George F. Osborne, and others.

A Question of Jurisdiction.

THOMAS KELLY, Jr., a United States soldier, was to have been brought before Judge SUTHERLAND, in Supreme Court Chambers, yesterday, on a writ of habeas corpus, and a motion made for his discharge from service on the ground of his minority. The writ was served on Major-Gen. BLUNT, who did not produce the prisoner or appear in person, but he sent a Sergeant to represent him. A question was raised as to the jurisdiction of the Court on the part of Gen. BLUNT, and a suggestion was made by counsel for KELLY that Gen. BLUNT be attached.

Judge SUTHERLAND said he would not issue an attachment, and as to the question of jurisdiction he was very clear in his own mind as to the statute bearing upon the case, but the tide had set in against the jurisdiction of the State Court in such cases, and he did not feel equal to the responsibility of stemming it. After referring to similar cases which had recently been before Judges MCCUNN and INGRAHAM, the Judge finally decided to defer hearing argument in the case until Monday next.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Important Sanitary Resolutions—A Raid Ordered on Unmuzzled Dogs.

The weekly meeting of the Board of Health was held yesterday, Mr. MANIERRE, President *pro tem.*, in the chair, and a large amount of important business was disposed of.

A communication from the Contractor, for removing dead animals from the streets, was read asking extra pay for removing such animals on Sundays. It was favorably indorsed by the City Sanitary Inspector, but Mr. HENRY SMITH and other members opposed granting any extra pay whatever. The recommendation of the City Sanitary Inspector was rejected, and a copy of the communication ordered to be sent to the Mayor.

A recommendation of the City Sanitary Inspector, that all unmuzzled dogs running at large in the streets be taken in custody and kept in the Pound seventy-two hours, and after that, if not claimed, be killed in some humane manner, was adopted by the Board.

The following were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That in order to determine as accurately as possible all the causes of the high death rate in this City from those diseases which are supposed to originate in, or be greatly influenced or aggravated by, local or other conditions of unhealthfulness, such as fevers, cholerainfantum, and other diarrhoeal affections, consumptions, &c., the Sanitary Committee are hereby directed to make, or cause to be made, such careful and systematic inquiry into all the circumstances connected with the sickness and death of every person reported to this office as having died from any one of the zymotic diseases, or if such diseases or cases as they may deem best adapted to secure the information desired, and report the result of such inquiry to this Board, together with the recommendation of such measures as in their judgment will be best adapted to diminish the sickness and mortality from these diseases.

Resolved, That to enable the Committee to render this investigation complete and exhaustive they are hereby empowered to advise with and obtain the services of such qualified physicians as they may deem necessary.

Resolved, That the Sanitary Committee be and is hereby directed to prepare and present to this Board a weekly statement of the amount and kind of work performed by the several bureaus, together with such information and suggestions in relation to the public health and sanitary condition of the City, as they may from time to time deem important.

Dr. MORRIS presented the following statement of the movements of contagious diseases:

Week ending Aug. 5—Typhus fever, 3; typhoid fever, 10; scarlet fever, 34; small-pox, 40; measles, 6; diphtheria, 1.

Week ending Aug. 12—Typhus fever, 4; typhoid fever, 9; relapsing fever, 1; scarlet fever, 31; small-pox, 41; measles, 5; diphtheria, 2.

The Sanitary Committee presented a report of experiments with disinfectants, particularly commending the "Gerondin" fluid, and advising the purchase of a quantity of it for immediate use.

The Board then adjourned.

Base-Ball—Athletic vs. Atlantic.

Yesterday afternoon the Brooklyn Athletics played the Atlantics, and, as both Clubs were pretty equally represented by excellent players, the result was an interesting contest, ending in a victory for the Athletics by a score of 8 to 6. The Atlantics went into their ninth inning with the score of 8 to 1 against them, but by loose fielding, and two or three good hits, they pulled up their total to 6. Some very handsome fielding was shown by both nines. BRADDOCK excelling on the Atlantic side, and PROCTER, BOOTH and CLEARY on the other. CASSIDY's base play was noteworthy. The following is the score:

ATHLETIC.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	ATLANTIC.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.
Wiggins, c. f.	0	2	0	0	McDonald, r. f.	0	2	4	0
Procter, 3d b.	2	1	2	0	Remsen, 1 f.	1	1	1	0
Palmer, c.	0	1	2	1	Keenan, c. f.	1	1	2	0
Booth, p.	1	2	1	5	Dehlman, 1st b.	1	0	10	0
Daly, 2d b.	3	0	1	5	Boyd, 3d b.	0	0	2	3
Bennett, r. f.	1	1	2	0	Malone, p.	0	0	0	7
Richardson, p.	0	1	0	2	Clinton, 2d b.	0	0	3	1
Hartman, l. f.	0	0	2	0	Nugan, c.	2	2	4	1
Cassidy, 1st b.	1	1	13	0	Burdock, s. s.	0	1	3	8
Total	8	10	27	16	Total	6	8	27	13

INNINGS.	1st.	2d.	3d.	4th.	5th.	6th.	7th.	8th.	9th.
Athletic	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	1—8
Atlantic	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0—6

Umpire—Mr. FERGUSON, of the Mutual Club. Time of Game—One hour and ten minutes.

Today the Mutuals play the Athletics their return game on the Union grounds.

The Growth of Brooklyn.

By the books of the Brooklyn City Assessor, it appears that from June, 1870, to June, 1871, buildings to the following number and value were erected in that city:

Ward.	No. of Buildings.	Assessed Value.	Ward.	No. of Buildings.	Assessed Value
1st	6	$99,400	13th	36	156,200
2d	9	19,800	14th	49	116,900
3d	8	83,000	15th	58	81,200
4th	7	42,700	16th	83	196,500
5th	18	34,400	17th	55	122,700
6th	19	211,300	18th	169	*129,100
7th	171	538,900	19th	400	492,900
8th	27	106,800	20th	71	208,400
9th	85	244,400	21st	550	836,400
10th	190	462,800	22d	167	467,200
11th	51	108,000			
12th	21	53,300	Total	2,214	$4,930,900

Bail Refused in the Case of a Forger.

JOSEPH A. HYATT alias George Wilson was brought before Judge SUTHERLAND, yesterday, in the Supreme Court, Chambers, on a writ of habeas corpus, and a motion made to fix the amount of bail. It appeared that the prisoner was charged with forgery, in having altered a check drawn by WILMERDING, HOGUET & HUMBERT from $24 to $20,000. The prisoner's discharge was opposed, on the ground that the crime was a very grave one, whereby the commercial community had suffered much; that parties connected with the prisoner in the transaction were still at large, but with a certainty on the part of the authorities that their capture would be speedily effected. In view of the importance of obtaining convictions in this class of cases, it was therefore contended that bail should be refused, at least for the present.

Judge SUTHERLAND denied the motion, but with leave to renew on the first Monday of next term.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Call of Calendar at 12 M.

Nos.	Nos.
86—Hunt vs. Hunt.	104—Haas vs. Finebols.
99—Havens vs. Wilcox.	112—Steuerlein vs. Maly.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part III.—Held by Alker, J.—Court opens and Calendar called at 11 A. M.

Nos.	Nos.
6053—Greenbaum vs. Cobb.	6217—Bruce vs. Metropolitan Gas-light Co.
6157—Stiles vs. The C. P. N. and East River Railroad Co.	6218—Dunn vs. McDonough.
6957—Bailey vs. Felt.	6219—Rand vs. Carleton.
7062—Payne vs. Archer.	6220—Van der Roest vs. Sloane.
7081—Groom vs. Wolff.	6221—Peyh vs. Karn.
7082—Coffee vs. Sweet.	6225—Donnelly vs. McNally
7083—Reynolds vs. Winslow.	6227—Crocker vs. Levy.
6216—The Ninth National Bank vs. The Ninth Ward Bank.	

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—AUG. 14.

By Judge Sutherland.

Jerome B. Simpson *vs.* Henry Colyer; motion denied with $10 costs to plaintiff, to abide the event of the action.

Philip F. Pistor, &c., *vs.* Amos F. Hatfield et al.; motion denied without costs.

S. Shinberg *vs.* Morris Livinson et al.; motion granted with $10 costs.

William Waitmire *vs.* H. S. Helmbold; motion granted with $10 costs.

In the matter of the petition of Francina Roulet, &c., for discharge of receiver; motion granted.

H. E. Pome et al. *vs.* William E. Balch et al.; motion granted without costs.

Egbert L. Viele *vs.* Teresa Viele; motion denied without costs.

Oliver W. Marvin *vs.* Samuel A. Lewis et al.; motion granted without costs, to either or any party.

William E. Church *vs.* Francis Jaudon; motion denied without costs.

Henry Waring *vs.* Christino Waring; report of referee confirmed, and judgment of divorce granted.

James A. Polhamus et al. *vs.* Hiram Dater et al.; Kenyon Cox et al. *vs.* Hiram Dater et al.; motions denied without costs.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCTIT—AUG. 14.

By Judge Van Brunt.

George Bliss et al. *vs.* Misses H. Schwartz; judgment for plaintiff.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—AUG. 14.

By Judge McCunn.

James Bulkley *vs.* Jeremiah Mulhall; order granted.

James J. Phelan *vs.* James Watson et al.; order granted.

Josephine Turner *vs.* James M. Turner; report of referee confirmed, and judgment of divorce granted.

By Judge Freedman.

Louis Muller *vs.* William P. Earle; order granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—AUG. 14.

By Judge Van Brunt.

Harrison *vs.* Gardner; motion denied.

Turner *vs.* Foley; motion denied.

The Boston and New-York State and File Company *vs.* Cook; motion granted.

Fuller *vs.* Mandeluck; motion granted.

Coppins *vs.* White; motion granted.

Blesson *vs.* Bradley; motion granted, with costs.

Morrow *vs.* Martin; motion granted upon payment of $10 costs.

Trenor *vs.* Shepard; motion granted upon terms.

Thompson *vs.* Arenheim; motion granted on defendants stipulating not to sue.

Julia Platt *vs.* Samuel H. Platt; judgment of separation will be granted, but notice of motion for permanent alimony must be given to defendant.

Mason *vs.* Mason; referred back to referee for further proof.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—AUG. 14.

Before Judge Sutherland.

Orange D. Day vs. *Elisha R. Potter.*—This is an action for the alleged seduction of plaintiff's wife by defendant, damages being laid at $25,000. The case came before the Court on a motion to compel plaintiff to give security for costs, he being a non resident of the State.

Judge SUTHERLAND granted the motion.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—AUG. 14.

FIRST BOARD.

$40,000 U.S.5-20C.'65,n.118
18,000 Tenn. 5s. 6s, old. 76
5,000 Tenn. 5s. 6s, new 75½
3,000 Va. 5s. 6s, old. 20
1,000 N. C. 6s, Sp.Tax 19¼
5,000 do. 20
11,000 S. C. 6s. 6s, new, Jan. & July. 68½
1,000 N. C. 6s, old bds. 45½
5,000 Missouri 6s. 6s. 90
1,000 Erie 3d. 98
1,000 Cen.Pac. G. bds. 98½
5,000 C.&N.W.S.F.b. 100
1,500 C.&N.W.Int.bs. 95
1,000 C. & N. W. Con. 91¼
3,000 Gt. West. 2d. 86¾
3,000 Gt. West. 1st,'88. 91¾
3,000 Mor. & Essex 2d 99
500 do. 99¼
2,000 Mil. & St. P. 1st. 106
10,000 C.,C.&Ind.C. 1st 88½
2,000 Tol.,P.& War.3d. 78½
15 Seventh W. B'k. 106½
75 Del. & Hud. 118¾
100 Spring Mtn. Coal. 71
75 Pacific Mail. 49¾
100 do. 50
100 do.bet. call. 49¾
100 do. 49¾
600 do. 49¾
200 do. 49¾
100 Am. Mer. Un. Ex. 58
100 do. 58½
200 West. Un. Tel. b.c. 60¼
200 do. 60¾
50 Wells-Fargo Ex. 46
100 Adams Express. 84½
200 N. Y. C. & H. b.c. 98¾
100 Erie Railway. 30¼
300 do. bet. call. 30¾
200 do. 30¾
400 Reading. bet. call. 115
200 do. 114⅞
200 do. 115
1100 L. S. & M. S. R. 109¾
30 do. 110
200 do. bet. call. 109¾
50 Panama Railroad. 155½
100 do. 155¾
900 Union Pacific. 32¼
200 do. bet. call. 32¼
200 do. 32¼
500 do. s10. 32
500 do. 32¼
100 Clev. & Pitts. R.c. 118¾
500 Chi. & N. W. R. 68¾
100 do. bet. call. 68¾
100 N. J. Cen. R. s30. 105½
100 do. 105¾
600 Chi. & R. I. R. 108½
100 Mil. & St. P. Pf. 90
200 Tol., War. & Chi. 92
25 P., Ft. W. & Chi. G. 99¾
100 Del., Lack. & W. 108¾
16 do. 109

SECOND BOARD.

$20,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C. 117½
20,0.0 do. 117¾
32,000 U.S. 5-20 C. 115.114¾
35,000 U.S. 5-20 R., '67, s5. 113
3,000 U.S. 5-20 C., '67. 113¾
10,000 U.S. 5-20 C. 109¾
6,000 Ga.St. 7s, G.bds 98¾
6,000 Missouri St. 6s. 95¾
10,000 Tenn. St. 6s, n., bet. call. 75¾
1,000 Union Pac., 1st 58¾
1,000 C. & N. W. 1st. 98¾
600 Pac. Mail S. S. Co. 50¼
100 do. 85. 50¼
50 do. 50¾
500 do.bet. call. 50¾
800 do. 50¾
280 Western U. Tel. 60¾
100 do. s60. 60¾
200 U. S. Express. 57
100 N.Y. C. & H.R. c. 98½
50 Erie. 30¼
100 do. 30¾
100 Lake S. & M. So. 109½
200 do. 109¾
50 Panama. 155¾
200 do. 156
200 C., C. Cin. & Ind. 87½
700 Union Pac. 32¾
800 do. bet. call. 32¾
300 Chic. & N. W. Pf. 91¾
100 do. 92
30 P., Ft. W. & C. guar. 99¼
100 Morris & Essex. 98¾
200 do. 99
127 Del., Lack. & W. 108½
500 H. & St. J. bet. c. 69
500 Tol., W. & W.b.c. c 62¾

MONDAY, Aug. 14—P. M.

The Secretary of the Treasury, by circular of this date to the agents heretofore appointed to negotiate the new loan, has revoked the authority to receive subscriptions for four ₱ cent., and four and a half ₱ cent. Bonds in combination with the five ₱ cents., thus leaving open only the opportunity to the Banks to take $50,000,000 of the five ₱ cents., as in his circular of last Thursday. That is to say, the Treasury leaves Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co. to carry out their contract with reference to the $130,000,000, without the competition of any other class of Government obligations. This was desirable until the whole amount of the $130,000,000 is out of the way.

We are now able to give the names composing the American Syndicate, co-operating with Messrs. JAY COOKE & Co., and also a number of those in the European Syndicate, to which will be added, by mail, several important firms whose subscriptions are telegraphed in the aggregate.

The American Syndicate is composed of:

Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co., New-York, Philadelphia and Washington.

Messrs. Fisk & Hatch, New-York.

Messrs. Vermilye & Co., New-York.

Messrs. Henry Clews & Co., New-York.

Messrs. Leonard, Sheldon & Foster, New-York.

First National Bank, New-York.

Fourth National Bank, New-York.

First National Bank, Philadelphia.

First National Bank, Washington.

And this Syndicate subscribes now for ten millions in new five ₱ cent. bonds.

The European names, so far, are the following:

Messrs. Jay Cooke, McCulloch & Co., London.

Messrs. R. Raphael & Sons, London.

Messrs. Bischoffsheim & Goldschmitt, London.

Messrs. Louis Cohen & Sons, London.

Messrs. Clews, Habicht & Co., London.

Messrs. Speyer Brothers, London.

Messrs. Seligman Brothers, London.

The Anglo-Hungarian Bank, London.

Messrs. P. Cazenove & Co., London.

Messrs. Samuel Montague & Sons, London.

Messrs. Foster & Braithwaite, London.

Messrs. Satterthwaite & Co., London.

Messrs. Seligman & Stettheimes, Frankfort.

Messrs. L. Speyer Ellison, Frankfort.

Messrs. Emil Erlanger & Co., Frankfort.

Messrs. Lippmann, Rosenthal & Co., Amsterdam.

Messrs. Wertheim & Gomperts, Amsterdam.

Messrs. Behrens & Sons, Hamburg.

Messrs. John Monroe & Co., Paris.

Messrs. Andrews & Co., Paris.

Messrs. Oppenhein, Errera & Co., Brussels.

And Mr. S. Bleichroeder, Berlin.

The subscription of this European Syndicate is for Fifteen Millions. With the subscriptions of these Syndicates, (in which we trust the names are textually correct,) and the Twenty Millions taken from his surplus Gold, the Secretary will be able to announce his readiness to redeem Forty-five Millions of Five-Twenties of 1862, at par and interest in coin; the interest ceasing, according to law, ninety days after designation for payment. And with this as a beginning, we have no doubt that the exchange of bonds will go forward as rapidly as is convenient.

We have had another tedious day in the movement of Gold. The artificial scarcity is maintained by the continued withdrawal of five or six millions of Coin, and a charge of *one-eighth* ₱ cent. was again collected for the day's use of Gold. For a time the rate fell off to one-sixteenth; but the full measure of rigor was afterward inflicted. The object seems to be to keep the borrowing interest tributary to the holders of Gold to the extent of an eighth ₱ cent. daily, or as near that as the short interest will pay, without relinquishing the contest. The price was alternately 112⅜ and 112½, until the formal adjournment at 3 P. M.; and afterwards it was pushed up as far as 112⅝, easing off a fraction at the close of business, with latest sales at 112⅝. As one-sixteenth was bid for to-morrow's use, it seems likely that we may have another day of this artificial performance. Of course, the Foreign exchanges are almost at a stand-still, with gold in this unnatural condition. The rates with the prime drawers are marked down to 109⅜ for Sixty day sterling, and 109½ for short date drafts; but nothing could be done at these rates. Sixty-day bills of one of the prime names were sold, at second-hand, as low as 109½; apparently to procure Gold for a specified length of time. The amount of Exchange borrowed on the street begins to attract attention.

In the market for the Public Funds the length of date is beginning to tell. The sixes of 1881, (Gold Bonds,) have advanced to 118 sales and bid; and the Currency Sixes sold this afternoon up to 115½, closing 115¼ bid. The Five-twenties are strong; repeated sales of par 1865s, at 113 are followed by the price being still bid; and 114 was paid for 1868s. The Ten-forties, for which 113¼ was the best offer at noon, leave off firm at 113⅜ @113⅝.

In the Stock market Pacific Mail has been the chief interest. Opening at 50, a fractional improvement on Saturday, it sold up to 50⅜, and large amounts of Stock came out that have awaited this opportunity for some time. These sales set the price back to 49⅜, from which a rally to 50⅜ the second time occurred, from which it again drooped, closing 49⅛@49¼. Union Pacific fell off in the morning from 32⅜ to 31½, rallied again to 32⅛, and winds up firm at 32⅛@32⅜. Nothing else competes in interest with these two; though Erie has been similarly eccentric, falling sharply from 30¼ to 29, repeating the performance after a rally, and closing at the recovery of 29½@29¾. Western Union has varied within the moderate limits of 60¼@61, and North-western has further declined from 69½@68⅜. Ohios stay stubbornly close to 46; and the rest of the list is dull, with a decline for the day of ⅜ in Reading, a ⅛ in Rock Island, and ⅛ in Wabash. There was but little life in the speculation, outside those specially named above, and the Street was dull at the close.

The State Bonds were duller, and the Pacific First Mortgages stronger.

In Money, we can only report continued ease at 3 ₱ cent. for demand loans.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—AUG. 14.

	Saturday.	Monday.
United States 10-40s	113¾	113¾
United States 5-20s of 1862	114¼	114¾
United States 5-20s of 1867	113¾	113¾
American Gold	112½	112¾
Bills on London, 60 days	109½	109⅝
N. Y. C. and Hudson	98¼	98¼
N. Y. C. and H. Debt Cfds	94⅜	94⅜
Reading	115	114¾
Chicago and Rock Island	108¼	108
North-west Common	69½	68¾
North-west Preferred	91¼	91¼
Pacific Mail	49¼	49¾
St. Paul Preferred	80¾	80¼
St. Paul Common	60¼	60¼
Lake Shore	109¼	109¾
Ohio and Mississippi	46	46
Toledo and Wabash	63	62½
Western Telegraph	60¾	60⅝
Erie	30¼	29¾
Union Pacific	32¾	32¼

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cents., comp., '81. 118
5-20 coup., '62. 114⅝
5-20 coup., '64. 114
5-20 coup., '65. 114½
5-20 coup., n. i., '65. 112⅞
5-20 coup, '67. 113⅜
5-20 coup, '68. 114
10-40 reg. 109⅛
10-40 coup. 113⅜
6s Currency. 115¼

And the following for the State Securities:

Tenn. 6s, old. 76
Tenn. 6s, new bds. 75¾
Va. 6s, old. 64½
Va. 6s, deferred Bds. 30¼
Ga. 7s, Gold. Bds. 98
N. C. 6s, old. 46
N. C. Funding Act, '66. 34¾
N. C. new bds. 27
N. C. special Tax. 19¾
S. C. Jan. & July. 58½
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The Dublin Amnesty Association discredit the statements of the Chief Secretary for Ireland with regard to the prevention of the meeting at Phœnix Park on the 13th inst. Few arrests have been made at Londonderry. It is reported that the French Government has demanded the extradition of the Communists now in London, and been met with a flat refusal. In an excited debate on the army question in Parliament, Mr. CARDWELL defended the administration of military affairs, and a motion that a royal inquiry be made into the subject was strenuously opposed. The subject was dropped.

GUSTAVE COURBET declares that he joined the Commune with the intention of making peace between the members and the Versailles Government. He says that during the siege of Paris many valuable works of art were saved from destruction by his personal exertions. The *National Zeitung*, of Berlin, denies that any convention has been concluded for the evacuation of the forts about Paris and the Departments of the Seine and Seine-et-Oise.

Prince BISMARCK has gone to Gastein, to attend the meeting of the Emperors of Austria and Germany.

King VICTOR EMMANUEL has had a narrow escape while hunting wild boars. The United States ships *Franklin* and *Plymouth* have sailed from Lisbon for New-York. The vine disease now prevails throughout Portugal, and the grape crop will be light. Denmark has taken the alarm and made elaborate preparations to ward off the cholera.

GENERAL.

The latest advices from China show that in the second battle between the American Squadron and the Coreans, the latter had 6,000 men armed with gingals, but their bullets fell short, and they suffered terribly from the American rifles, in spite of their thick armor. On the 11th of June the Americans destroyed the forts. The local authorities steadily refused to say what should be done with the prisoners. The Coreans are acknowledged to have fought bravely, and they expected to have annihilated the fleet at the first fire. Minister LOW and Admiral RODGERS await further instructions from Washington before proceeding with hostilities.

A fire-damp explosion occurred yesterday morning in the Eagle shaft, near Pittston, Penn., by which one man was killed outright. Twenty others are imprisoned in a gangway by a fallen rock, and the utmost anxiety prevails as to their fate. It is believed that they will die before the obstructions can be removed.

At about 12½ o'clock on Sunday night a fire broke out in the Exchange Hotel, in Goldsborough, N. C., destroying two hotels, ten stores and the out-buildings, and the railroad car-sheds. The loss is estimated at $30,000; insured for about $30,000. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

The mystery attending the Fallsfield tragedy, near Rochester, has been cleared up by the arrest of the person who took the young girl to where she went over the bank. Several others are also under arrest.

First Lieut. JAMES CARLINS, First United States Cavalry, has been dismissed the service for conduct "prejudicial to good order and military discipline," in ordering a private to fire at a target before which a trumpeter was standing, thereby killing the trumpeter.

A volcanic wave of immense height recently passed over the Island of Tagolands, in the Indian Archipelago, and swept all the inhabitants off, comprising 416 human beings. All the live stock on the island was also destroyed.

The steamer *Chatauqua*, at Maysville, N. Y., burst her boiler yesterday, killing at least four persons outright and wounding fourteen, some of whom will die. The vessel is a wreck.

A dispatch from St. John's, N. F., reports the arrival of the Swedish gun-boat *Ingord*, with dispatches from Capt. HALL'S Arctic ship *Polaris*, which arrived at Holsteinberg July 31, and would await until Aug. 5 the arrival of the United States steamer *Congress*, with supplies.

W. B. WRIGHT and JOHN SMITH, of Menomineel, Wis., desperadoes, suspected of robbery, were ordered by Sheriff WADE, recently, to surrender. They answered with a volley of shots. WADE then shot WRIGHT through the head, killing him instantly, and wounded SMITH.

In the regatta at Boston, yesterday, the *Columbia*, of this City, won the $1,000 cup presented by the Eastern Yacht Club, and the $800 cup presented by the residents of Swampscott. The *Gracie*, of New-York, won the $500 cup presented by the Eastern Yacht Club, and the $400 cup of the people of Swampscott.

What Can be Done This Autumn.

The next Legislature must be carried for honest government. There must be no failure in that undertaking. A complete remedy for the corruption and fraud that rule the City of New-York is within the power of the Legislature only. Corruption equally vile, if not so extensive, prevails in the State administration under Democratic supremacy. The canals are made the means of enriching a State Ring, identical in purpose and morals with the City Ring. Both must be broken, and the Legislature must be carried in order to break them. The work will not be an easy one, but it can be accomplished by discretion, fidelity and industry. The Democratic majority in the present State Senate is three, and there is a vacancy in the Saratoga District, caused by the death of the late ISAIAH BLOOD, Democrat. In three districts now represented in the Senate by Democrats, the Republican candidate for Governor had a decided majority last Fall. In a fourth, the majority for the Democratic Senator was out of all proportion to the Democratic majority for Governor. Wisdom and energy would replace all these four Democrats by four Republicans, and exactly reverse the majority in the Senate. These four districts are as follows: The Eleventh, GEO. MORGAN, Democrat, Senator, majority 184, Republican majority for Governor, 1,477; the Nineteenth, GEO. H. SANFORD, Democrat, Senator, majority 25, Republican majority for Governor, 1,330; the Twenty-eighth, JARVIS LORD, Democrat, Senator, majority 700, Republican majority for Governor, 827; the Tenth, WM. M. GRAHAM, Democrat, Senator, majority 595, Democratic majority for Governor only 58. In other districts, and notably in this City, where it may not be possible to elect a Repulolican, it may still be practicable to secure the choice of an honest, Anti-Ring Democrat. Such an opportunity should not only be promptly seized; it should be foreseen, and every honorable measure adopted and pressed to the uttermost to bring it about.

On the other side of the East River, in the Second District of Kings County, now represented by JAMES F. PIERCE, one of the smoothest and most quiet, but one of the most unshrinking tools of the Ring at Albany, the Democratic majority two years since was but 1,351. The Republican candidate, though a good man, had been nominated in his absence from the country, and made no effort for election. The frauds of that year in Kings County were, moreover, enormous. A more faithful legislator might and should be put in the place of Mr. PIERCE. In this City, without naming the districts, we are justified in hoping that two of the supple instruments of Tammany may be unseated.

Turning now to the Assembly, we find the Democratic majority was but two last year. At the same time, at least nine Democrats either sat for districts that were Republican, or were kept in their seats by gross fraud. No one of our readers has forgotten how the ignorant and corrupt JOHN CAREY was put in the place of HORATIO TWOMBLEY. There were besides the following cases in which the district ought fairly to have been represented by a Republican: The First Albany District, WM. D. MURPHY, a man of the most dubious antecedents, represented a constituency that gave 324 Republican majority for Governor the same year. In the First District of Cayuga County, C. H. CURTIS, Democrat, was elected by 42, but Gov. WOODFORD received a majority of 535. In the Eighth Kings County District two Republican candidates ran, who obtained more votes together than HAVER, who was elected. This was also the case in the Eleventh New-York District, whence O'BRIEN was sent. In the First Ontario District GEO. W. NICHOLAS, Democrat, was elected, where WOODFORD received a distinct majority. In the Second District of Oswego County, the Republican candidate was defeated by an "anti-dram-shop" diversion of some one hundred and twelve. The Democratic candidate went in by *three* votes. In the Second Orange County District, the Democratic majority for Assembly was *one*; the Republican majority for Governor was seventy-seven. In Warren County, which went Republican by sixty-seven on the State ticket, a Democrat was elected by only twenty-six.

These are facts for Republicans in the districts we have designated to keep in their minds. They indicate the points where good judgment and honest work will suffice to change the complexion of the Legislature.

But we not only want a Republican Legislature: we want a Legislature of unimpeachable character. Our nominations should be made with the utmost care. It is a disgrace to the Democracy to boast that the money stolen from New-York City was used to corrupt some Republicans from the country. It should be our duty to see that in the next Legislature the corrupt Democrats who have deserved the utmost punishment, stand no chance of escaping through the treachery of Republicans.

Mayor Hall's Apology.

It is probable that many persons, Democrats as well as Republicans, may be curious to know what Mayor HALL has to say for himself. For the information of such persons we extract the following paragraphs from Mayor HALL'S weekly paper. The peculiarity of the style shows that these passages were written by Mayor HALL'S own hand, and they doubtless express his opinions very thoroughly on his own and CONNOLLY'S position before the public:

"'Threatened men,' the old proverb tells us, 'have long lives.' Our friends in the country districts must not be surprised if the City Government of New-York apply the principle of this proverb to their own case, and find good reasons therein for treating *with amiable contempt the furious diatribes now daily launched against them.*"

Here, it will be observed, the Mayor does not deny his responsibility for signing fraudulent warrants—he merely defies public opinion. This is the course he has taken from the first. Again, look at this paragraph:

"While the TIMES frets and furies, Controller CONNOLLY admirably keeps his temper. Wherein the worthy Controller resembles the Ames wrought-iron gun, which is highly commended by the Ordnance bureau for '*its ability to sustain the heaviest charges with no danger of an explosion.*'"

This insolent spirit of braggadacio might naturally be looked for from men who know that they are knaves, and have always been aware that some day or other the exposure would come. They have anticipated that exposure, and made up their minds what they would do when it took place. They are now carrying out their programme. Everything will "blow over," as they fancy, and they hope to make the public forget all about INGERSOLL'S five and three-quarter millions, and GARVEY'S two and three-quarter millions, and KEYSER'S one and a quarter million. They presented ANDREW J. GARVEY with $2,870,464 06 during the short space of two years, for *plastering only*. "What of it?" asks Mayor HALL. "We shall treat public opinion on the subject with amiable contempt. Nothing that can be said can hurt us." And thus far the Mayor's impudent boasts have certainly been justified.

Listen to this free-and-easy way of dealing with the accusations—fully supported by proofs—brought against the City Government:

"That instead of this the TIMES goes on reiterating its second-hand roar about the accounts of the Supervisors and the salaries of extinct sinecures, while the *Tribune*, once foremost in the Radical fray, is reduced to follow humbly in the wake of the TIMES, is the abundant justification of the City Government for disdaining the encounter with such unequal antagonists. All that the City Government is called upon, in the present circumstances, to do, it has done and is doing."

And again the Mayor appeals to Democrats to support him and his friends, because if they do not they will break up the party:

"New-York City is the great Democratic stronghold of the country. Shake the Democratic hold upon this mighty Metropolis, and you shake the Democratic hold upon the Empire State. Shake the Democratic hold upon the Empire State, and you secure to the Radical thieves and the parasites upon Federal power another four years' time in which to cover up the traces of their past rascality, and to perpetrate new raids upon the National Treasury."

Here is a man convicted of signing fraudulent warrants for $9,789,482, within *two years*, trying to clear himself by calling out "stop thief" at "Radicals." If Mayor HALL has any proof of Radical frauds, let him send it to us and we will publish it. But even after that his character will not be cleared. Two blacks don't make a white. The Mayor and his friends, charged with misappropriating the public money on an enormous scale, think it quite sufficient to turn round upon their accusers and say, "you're another." In the meantime they dare not meet openly the accusations brought against themselves. They have not told us why they paid J. H. INGERSOLL $5,663,646 88 during 1869 and 1870. They paid to J. A. SMITH $221,799 48 for carpets for the new *Court-house alone*. But they cannot tell us where J. A. SMITH carries on business, nor where the carpets are which he supplied. And so with all the accounts that have been published. The Mayor has seen much of the sluggishness of public opinion in New-York, and he thoroughly believes that he and CONNOLLY and their friends will be able to ride out this storm without difficulty. We shall see.

Sir Walter Scott.

The man whose memory is recalled today everywhere that the English language is spoken, and whose works are known to educated men of nearly every race and tongue, was something more than a great novelist, poet, historian, and biographer. Almost his last words on earth were, "LOCKHART, my dear, be a good man;" and through life he had honestly endeavored to live up to his own ideal. His character was of that type which the present generation may study with profit. We may smile at his exaggerated fondness for medieval gewgaws, and at his old Scottish pride of ancestry, born in the blood which came to him from Border chieftains. But would the modern critic who is so much wiser than the Magician of Abbotsford, have been capable of his sublime self-sacrifice, and his noble determination that no one else should bear the penalty of his costly weakness? For five years he worked like a galley slave, that he should die owing no man anything, and that his children should transmit with pride the name of an honest man. "Time and I against any two," he said when he braced up all his energies for the stupendous labor before him. It was a "vain boast" he owned as he lay dying, with all his fine powers shattered and spent in the unequal contest. Yet this heroic struggle of intellect, sustained by conscience, remains one of the grandest things in human biography, and throws a tragic splendor around the death-bed of the man who was beaten and yet triumphed.

It is almost sixty years ago since *Waverley* fell like a revelation upon a delighted public. To appreciate what Sir WALTER SCOTT has done for modern fiction and modern life, it is only necessary to compare the Gothic monstrosities of Mrs. RADCLIFFE, and the melodramatic creations of MATT LEWIS, which charmed the novel-reading public at the beginning of the present century, with the finest efforts of the modern school, as represented by THACKERAY, DICKENS and "George Eliot." We are, it is true, perpetually exposed to the danger of falling back into a corrupt literature, in which meretricious ornament takes the place of beauty and simplicity of style, and in which a morbid sensationalism is substituted for true sentiment. The novels of Sir WALTER SCOTT showed the reading public a new ideal of literary excellence, from which they can never entirely fall away. Continued familiarity with his pages must act as a preservative of a pure taste and an unperverted sensibility. "The man who uttered nothing base" is a line that will apply with equal justice to Sir WALTER SCOTT as to his contemporary, WORDSWORTH. He never painted vice because it was vicious; his fun is healthy, vigorous humor, without a touch of sickly suggestiveness, and his men and women walk in such a world as is seen through the medium of a lofty imagination and a pure mind. There were some forms of human greatness that he could sympathize with only imperfectly. He believed to the bottom of his heart in a hierarchy in the Church and a monarchy in the State, and no one reading his works can fail to become aware of the bent of his mind on these subjects. Posterity will acquit him of having done the Scottish Covenanters intentional injustice, but he certainly failed to apprehend some of the nobler qualities which their fanaticism can never obscure, and he certainly accorded rather more than justice to their opponents. Yet, after all deductions have been made from his fame, we may safely predict that it will be a symptom of a low standard of taste and morals when Sir WALTER SCOTT receives less honor from English-speaking races than he does today. As a literary artist, he did with painstaking thoroughness what he had to do, and that is an example which the present generation can ill afford to overlook. Throughout his life, he kept the light of a great genius burning with so pure a flame, that his family, his countrymen, and his fellow-men everywhere, can reverence his memory without reserve, and cherish his name without a painful regret. Think of how few of the foremost names in literature as much can be said, and the grand significance of today's centenary celebration will become still clearer and more impressive.

A New Use for One's Friends.

In that agreeable fiction called *Sweeny Todd, or the Ruffian Barber*, it is related that the hero of the story amasses a large fortune by the simple device of letting his customers fall through a trap-door, neatly constructed under the shaving chair, into a sort of dungeon, where they were at once converted into mutton-pies. These being sold at a connecting shop in the next street by Mr. Todd's accomplished spouse, attracted an extensive custom, and the ingenious inventor of the process was in a fair way to become a perfect Tweed of ill-gotten wealth, when his unlucky star brought him a customer attended by a dog. Obviously, the only safe thing to do was to make mutton-pie of the dog also. But, whether from the agitation of the moment, or an honest pride in keeping up the quality of his pasties, Mr. Todd unhappily neglected this easy precaution, and so the history terminates with Tyburn and a moral.

Besides being calculated to increase the taste for mutton pies, this pleasing tale is permeated with an atmosphere which betrays at once its French origin. Nobody but a Frenchman could have invented it, and nobody but a Frenchman could have devised the captivating narrative of a like nature which we found in the late Paris correspondence of the St. Louis *Republican*. A certain count, we are told, who resided in the Quartier St. Germain, had the misfortune to be killed during the bombardment. There was nothing of course peculiar in that; to his house attaches all the interest. The authorities, on visiting it, found a certain closet on the third floor so constructed that a person stepping into it was at once carried down, for all the world as if he were on an hotel elevator, to a dungeon on the ground floor. From this the only possible egress was through a secret door known, it is presumed only to the Count, and in another secret closet were all sorts of surgical and scientific appliances. There was also found by the greatly-wondering gendarmes a manuscript book, in the Count's handwriting, explaining the mystery. The Count, it seems, was an enthusiast in galvanism, and his zeal for science went so far as to make all his friends the involuntary aids to his researches. For instance, he gave a little dinner party, and when the guests were perhaps a trifle flushed with wine, decoyed one of their number to the fatal closet, where he rapidly descended to the dungeon, and was as speedily chloroformed and killed by the alert Count. Then this devoted inquirer experimented to restore his hapless guest to life, but it is, perhaps, needless to say that he was more successful in preparing his subjects than in restoring them to their former condition. On one pretext or another it was easy for this earnest man to keep himself supplied with subjects, and the fact that they do not seem to have been missed furnishes to a French romancer no difficulty whatever. Apart from the consideration that nobody is ever missed in Paris, from Emperor to *gamin*, there are always plenty of roving Englishmen and casual Americans to satisfy the requirements of the most exacting philosopher, and no questions asked. Many such, no doubt, found their way to the Count's underground *atelier*, and contributed to the advancement of science. But for the ill-timed bullet that stopped this indefatigable search for truth, they might have been finding their way there still; for we are well assured that so zealous a student would have abandoned his quest only when he had found his philosopher's stone, or when he had no longer any friends left to kill and unsuccessfully galvanize.

There is in this little story a quaint flavor of cold-blooded monstrosity which makes it irresistible. Indeed, in every dramatic feature it is quite superior to the episode of the "Ruffian Barber." To kill a man for the sake of mutton pies is ignoble, but to sacrifice one's friend on the altar of knowledge, to make hospitality and murder the two handmaids of science, is a superb conception. The absorbed *savan* coolly slaying his guests one after one, and then galvanizing them with as much equanimity as though they were so many frogs, would be an admirable subject for such a painter as GEROME. That we do not in the least believe the story does not lessen our admiration of its fine imaginative features. The beautiful tale published in the early days of the Commune, about the discovery of infants' bones and torturing-rooms and the like in the Convent of Sainte Pélagie, was speedily shown to be false. But to the lover of romance such tales only become dearer the less alliance they are shown to have with the domain of fact.

A Foot Note for the Battle of Dorking.

Are there "any distinguished persons" about to start from this country for the purpose of witnessing the evolutions of thirty thousand British troops amid the stubble fields of Berkshire? If there are, and we have the word of a Colonel and an M. P. for the fact, they had better stay at home, since the operations in question will not come off. The reason why, is a little obscure, but according to the authority just quoted and to most of the leading journals, it is little creditable to the War Department. Through a good many hazy explanations relative to a late harvest, September winds, and imperfection of the means of local transport, the fact has become disagreeably apparent to the British taxpayer, that the army for which he pays eighty millions of dollars a year is so badly organized that to march thirty thousand men from an intrenched camp, thirty miles into the country, is a task altogether beyond the ability of the departments intrusted with its execution. It must be noted that the summons was not a sudden one, like the imaginary Teutonic invasion. The plan was decided upon in April last, and for four months the Secretary of War, the Quartermaster-General, the Inspector-General of Fortifications, and the Surveyor-General of Ordnance, not to mention officers of the Control and Engineer Departments, acting committees of Berkshire farmers, and indefatigable local M. P.'s, have been accumulating a mass of reports and correspondence on the subject, whose aggregate bulk must be fearful to contemplate. The "military operations" of this little army corps, about which so tremendous a pother has been made, were to be a sufficient reply to all cavillers at the red-tapeism of the Horse Guards and the War Department; the Berkshire encampment was to be the first of a yearly series of "Camps of Instruction," which were to rival if not surpass their German originals, and were to demonstrate what no man in England has yet found out, how the regulars, the militia and the volunteers, could be brigaded together and made to form parts of one homogeneous army. People who knew the ways of the military camp at Aldershot, told the enthusiastic committee drawn from the thirty-six parishes which were in some way to be occupied by the contemplated operations, that the thing could not be done. But the confiding rustics refused to believe that the movement of 5,000 men would be the severest strain that the transport department of the British Army could stand, and the Secretary of War was repeatedly assured of their inalterable determination to make any patriotic sacrifices, (probably in the shape of high-priced butter and cheese,) that the circumstances might demand.

And yet, the croakers have proved right, after all. It seems so long ago since men starved around Sebastopol within seven miles of their base of supplies, that it might have been supposed that even so impracticable a set of martinets as the English military authorities, might have had time to make some slight advance in effective organization. But the collapse of the Berkshire experiment, shows pretty conclusively that the system is as rotten as ever. In this instance, it was the "control department" which broke down. That is to say, the arm of the service which represents the transport corps as organized on a peace footing, was unable to collect from a thickly peopled agricultural county, horses and wagons enough to supplement their own conveyance train. Wherever the blame rests, the British public are left to digest the unpalatable fact that, after four months of busy preparation, the moving of thirty thousand men to a distance of thirty miles from their base of operations has been abandoned as impossible. If this be the most that can be done for eighty millions a year, the groaning tax-payer may safely keep his money in his pocket, and console himself with the reflection that the country will at least be no worse defended than before.

MINOR TOPICS.

Mr. THURLOW WEED and his daughter have arrived home from their visit to Europe. Their stay abroad was briefer than they originally intended it to be, for Mr. WEED was never sufficiently strong to permit of his undertaking journeys by railroad. He has, however, returned in better health, and after he has recovered from the fatigue of his voyage will doubtless find that he gained substantial benefit from the change.

The *Post* gets out of its false assertions regarding the TIMES by a denial that it ever made them. To say "I didn't do it," is a very common trick with people who are caught telling untruths, or with their hands in their neighbors' pockets—though in the latter case they sometimes write letters begging for clemency. However, the *Post* now says:

"If it [the TIMES] means directly to deny that Mr. TWEED has recently had any hope of securing its aid in getting rid of Messrs. CONNOLLY and HALL, and making the City more than ever its own, we shall accept its testimony at once as to the state of Mr. TWEED'S mind, and inform our readers that the rumor in question is false."

We distinctly deny that Mr. TWEED has had any hope of securing our aid, so far as our agency is concerned. He has had no reason whatever to suppose that he would receive anything from us but inflexible opposition—which is what he is sure to experience. Perhaps the *Post* will now, [as it says, deny the "rumor" which it originated, even if it invents another to fill its place. That much of honesty we may demand from it—although the *Evening Post* in these days is not a place where a modern Diogenes would go to look for an honest man.

There is one point in Senator SCHURZ'S speech of Saturday, at Chicago, with which but few will disagree. It is his clear and forcible exposure of the dangerous nature of the Democratic opposition. Instead of dealing honestly with national questions, the Democratic Party always treats them in a way to excite suspicion. It nowhere presents a frank and intelligible programme. It denounces monopoly, but has not a word to say against the protectionist ideas of Pennsylvania Democrats. It declaims against taxation, and votes against its reduction. It finds the Kuklux bill unconstitutional; but it has no fault to find with the Kuklux, and no other remedy to suggest for the disorders of the South. "Our policy," said a Democratic paper of Georgia, a few weeks since, "is to get in;" and there is not a single leader in the party whose views seem to rise above this highly-debased conception.

The ingenious "enterprises" of the Ring are not confined to the first contracts, but the poor victim is pursued to the end. The new bonds are issued under a private contract between the Ring and AUGUST BELMONT & Co. They are sold at a price said to be par in currency, and the amount now known to be issued is three million two hundred thousand dollars. The *Express* of the 4th refers approvingly to the good thing made by the Chairman of the Democratic National Convention on this issue, the bonds having been sold on the Frankfort Stock Exchange at once at a profit of six per cent.—say a trifle of one hundred and ninety-two thousand dollars on the bonds issued, for the trouble of inclosing them in envelopes and mailing them to Frankfort. In fact, the profit is nearer twelve per cent., certainly ten per cent. Now, of these bonds, which are intended to cover and consolidate the whole debt of the City, we may have one hundred million dollars issued. It will readily be seen what an enormous placer is here. Why were they not offered in this country and in Europe to public competition? That would have been the fair way of dealing. The issues made, however, in the scandalous manner devised by the Ring may prove to be illegal.

Uncle Sam's mail-bags have recently been used to break down one of the odious monopolies that afflict the Pacific coast. It appears that the managers of the Central Pacific Railroad combined with WELLS, FARGO & Co.'s Express, in which they are large stock-holders, to advance the rates of gold shipments to the East, thereby raising the price of exchange drafts to the exorbitant figure of one and a half per cent. The banks soon discovered that they could send gold through the mails for less than one-third of that sum, and thereupon reduced their rates of exchange to one-half per cent. and shipped their gold by the mail-bags, nicely packed in round boxes similar to German match-boxes, and just large enough to hold double-eagles. In this way, according to the San Francisco *Bulletin*, upward of nine million dollars in gold have been shipped East within the last few months. The result has been to break down the railroad and express combination, and they have now concluded to transport gold at the old rates. The monopolists are, of course, horrified at what they call the "abuse" of the postal service, but the people are grateful to Uncle Sam for furnishing them with such a convenient weapon against extortion.

The following, in reference to the condition of our streets, appeared in last night's *Express*:

"The various Police Captains today presented their reports of the condition of the streets to the Superintendent. *It will be a surprise to many of our readers to learn that the condition of the streets is not near as bad as hitherto reported.*"

The news will certainly be very much of a surprise, especially to people who have to pass by Fulton Market and thereabouts, or who walk down West-street, or any of the streets near the East or North rivers. The *Express* is determined to make out a case for the City authorities if it possibly can, but it is a little imprudent to deny the evidence which reaches most people by means of the eyes and nose, and which is besides substantially confirmed by the report referred to.

S. B. PACKARD, United States Marshal at New-Orleans, is the man who called the Republican Convention in the Court-room—a part of the Custom-house—in that city. Having got his Convention in a Government building, he argued, with remarkable logic, that if he could get troops to protect the building, the Convention would have all the benefit of the protection. So he called on Gen. REYNOLDS for troops to guard Government property, and obtained them. He now declares that in this foolish proceeding he had no direction or encouragement from Washington. No sensible man supposed he had. The denial was only made necessary by the haste of the Democratic Press to make the charge. We trust Mr. PACKARD now sees that the little political advantage he has gained was too dearly bought, and will refrain from any blunders of the kind for the future.

The editor of the Adams (Mass.) *Transcript* has raised quite a commotion among his professional brethren of the Bay State, by his harmless "sell" about a certain town in the Western part of the State, "where every male citizen is an Orangeman, and no man is allowed to settle there without joining the Order." The Boston *Post*, edited by "Dame Partington," got particularly indignant over the announcement, and declared that it was an outrage that such a community should be allowed to exist in Massachusetts. "The idea," it says, "of a town of several thousand inhabitants, in this enlightened State, held so completely in the power of a foreign political organization is repulsive to our views of freedom and popular government." The *Post* then goes on, in true Democratic fashion, to contrast this Orange community to the Kuklux organization, which, it thinks, is a harmless klan in comparison. There is no knowing to what excess of wrath the stupidity of the *Post* would have carried it, had not the author of the "sell" come to its rescue by the following explanation:

ORANGE, a post village and township of Franklin County, Massachusetts, on the Vermont and Massachusetts Railroad, seventy miles northwest of Boston. Pop., 1622.—*Lippincott's Gazetteer*, p. 1,398.

The Missing Steamer City of Boston.

The Nantucket *Mirror* reports that a bottle was picked up on Monday, 7th inst., at the north side of the Island, between Eel Point and Tuckernuck, by Mr. C. F. ROGERS, which had evidently been some time in the water, being entirely covered with sea-grass. It contained a paper with writing in pencil, in the German language, of which the following is a translation. It will be seen that the paper has neither name nor date, and may or may not be genuine:

DEAR PERSONS: He who finds this bottle, if it possibly makes it way to the land, will please send it to the Admiralty in an English harbor. I have thrown similar ones which contain the tidings in different languages. They come from the sinking ship *City of Boston*. We got unfortunately in or among the—(ice, probably,) from which no one can be extricated.

The Germans of the Eighteenth Ward and the City Frauds.

A number of German citizens of the Eighteenth Ward, representing the wealthy and respectable portion of the German element in that locality, met at the Teutonic Assembly Room last evening, with the intention of effecting an organization having in view some reformation in our municipal affairs.

This organization was effected by the election of Mr. WM. RADDE President, Messrs. MILLER, BOLAND, HANSER and CAMP Vice-Presidents, Mr. AUG. WICHLEFF Secretary, Mr. HANSER Treasurer, and a committee was formed to prepare a circular to be addressed to the Germans of the district. Brief addresses on the subject were delivered by Messrs. RADDE, KAMP and others. The members present fully indorse the action of the citizens of the Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards, but action on the subject was deferred until the next meeting, when a numerous attendance is expected.

SIR WALTER SCOTT.

1771—1871.

We extract the following interesting notice of the career and the character of the great novelist and poet, the centenary of whose birth is being celebrated today from the advanced sheets of a new and valuable biography by R. SHELTON MACKENZIE. The work is published by JAMES R. OSGOOD & Co., Boston:

HIS BIRTH.

WALTER SCOTT was born on Aug. 15, 1771. He says: "I was an uncommon healthy child, but had nearly died in consequence of my first nurse being ill of a consumption—a circumstance which she chose to conceal, though to do so was murder to both herself and me. She went privately to consult Dr. BLACK, the celebrated Professor of chemistry, who put my father on his guard. The woman was dismissed, and I was consigned to a healthy peasant, who [1839] is still alive to boast of her laddie being what she calls a grand gentleman. I showed every sign of health and strength until I was about eighteen months old. One night, I have been often told, I showed great reluctance to be caught and put to bed, and, after being chased about the room, was apprehended, and consigned to my dormitory with some difficulty. It was the last time I was to show such personal agility. In the morning I was discovered to be affected with the fever, which often accompanies the cutting of large teeth. It held me three days; on the fourth, when they went to bathe me as usual, they discovered that I had lost the power of my right leg." The closest anatomical examination failed to ascertain the nature and extent of the injury. There was no apparent strain or dislocation; and various topical applications were ineffectual during several years. At last, on the recommendation of Dr. RUTHERFORD, his grandfather, the boy was taken to Sandy-Knowe, where his father had been born. It was hoped, rather than believed, that free exercise in the open air and good country diet might have a curative effect.

HIS ORIGIN AND EARLY ASSOCIATIONS.

Sprung from the middle class in Scotland,—a country where the peasantry honor respectable lineage, even in the persons of men of fallen fortunes,—SCOTT had the advantage of being kin to a numerous line of namesakes, scattered over the south-eastern border counties; of being able to claim cousinship, remote or near, not only with "the bold BUCCLEUGH," himself a SCOTT, with ducal estates literally stretching from sea to sea, across the whole south of Scotland, but also with many others, who were called "lairds" while they retained their own estates, however small, and were "laborers" or "herds," according to circumstances, when they worked for others. In his own way, the herd was as independent as the laird, and the laird as independent as the noble. What is called clanship was the connecting link. This created an equalizing feeling, which levelled the barriers of station and caste. The peer would greet the peasant, when met, with a kind and natural courtesy; and the peasant would converse with the noble with a respect which was tinctured with familiarity, feeling, with BURNS, that

"The rank is but the guinea's stamp:
A man's a man for a' that."

WALTER SCOTT, who passed many years of his life in the Counties of Selkirk and Roxburgh, had made himself at home among the rural population, who knew the boy well. Most probably, even then they could trace back his pedigree far beyond any period then within his own knowledge. From the lips of ancient crones, intelligent shepherds, educated gamesters, and bright-eyed lassies he heard many a ballad of Border chivalry, of passionate love, of tearful sorrow, of ruthless wrong, of deep revenge. His memory retained these lays, and his persevering curiosity eagerly inquired into the traditions and the history upon which they were founded. There was ever a kindly feeling at the cottage fireside for the intelligent boy, whose lameness, if he lived to manhood, would probably prevent his engaging in the active business of life.

HIS YOUTH.

From his sixteenth year, until he married, in his twenty-sixth, WALTER SCOTT spent most of his leisure hours in wandering through the romantic scenes familiar to him in his childhood, and in visiting most of the places in his native land memorable in history, song, or legend. He continued to collect the relics of ancient poetry, which he regarded so highly, and his means then being limited, and chiefly devoted to the purchase of old books, he was content to live, in his wanderings through the country, in a homely manner among the peasantry—particularly during his annual visits to LIDDESDALE, a pastoral district, with remains of the castles of the old border chiefs, and many stories about them. There were no inns and few roads in this district, but a great deal of hospitality. SCOTT made himself at home among the simple inhabitants, who knew little of the outer world, and were charmed with his genial manners and familiar anecdotes. Years afterward, when he was a renowned author, and, what they thought much better, Sheriff of the County of Selkirk, one of his former companions said: "He spoke to every man as if he were one of his family." There may have been the pride of condescension in this; but that species of pride is sometimes akin to virtue.

HIS WORKS AND CHARACTERS.

From these sources came, first, a few imitations of the ancient ballads; next, that great work, (literally a labor of love; for it was not expected the utmost possible sale would do more than repay the expense of production,) *The Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border*; after that, a series of national narrative poems, which at once gave their author unprecedented popularity, and were produced with so little apparent effort, that they closely resembled improvisation; and lastly, in company with heavy labors of editorship, criticism, biography, and history, "The Waverley Novels," which founded a new order of fiction—the historical romance. These novels, with the exception of *Guy Mannering*, *The Pirate*, *The Black Dwarf*, and *The Bride of Lammermoor*, are historical; even *The Antiquary* includes scenes arising out of the expedition of the French invasion of England. The series may be said to commence, chronologically, towards the close of the eleventh century—in the time of WILLIAM RUFUS—and to terminate on the eve of the present century. The author varied his scenes from Great Britain to France, Germany, Switzerland, Greece, Turkey, Syria and India. He wrote of foreign lands and peoples as if he had lived among them, and drew materials for romance from each.

Independent of the historical characters of note whom he has presented in his poems, WALTER SCOTT reproduced as many in his novels as would suffice to fill a gallery. In *Ivanhoe* we have Richard the Lion-hearted, false-hearted John, and Robin Hood; in *The Talisman*, Richard again appears, in company with Saladin; in *Count Robert of Paris*, are Alexia Commenus, Emperor of Greece, and that fair pedant, Anna Commena, his daughter; in *Castle Dangerous*, we have the Black Douglas; in *The Fair Maid of Perth*, Robert III. of Scotland, his Court and family; in *Quentin Durward*, Louis XI. of France, Charles the Bold of Burgundy, the brave Dunois, Cardinal Balue, Philip de Commines and Oliver le Dain; in *Anne of Geierstein*, Louis of France and Charles of Burgundy, with Margaret of Anjou, Edward IV. and Richard III. of England, René the minstrel monarch of Provence, and the Emperor Sigismund of Austria; in *The Monastery* and *The Abbot*, the Regent Murray, Mary Stuart, the Lady of Lochleven and George Douglas, bold Ruthven, Lady Mary Fleming, and courageous Catherine Seyton; in *Kenilworth*, Elizabeth Tudor, with crafty Cecil, Leicester and Amy Robsart,

as well as detail, and are accurate as well as vivid.

THE PUBLIC AVOWAL OF THE "GREAT UNKNOWN."

On the 23d of February, 1827, a confession was publicly made, which was noticed, I suppose, not alone in Great Britain, across the Atlantic, and in the greater Britain of the United States and the Colonies, wherever the Anglo-Saxon language is spoken and read, but in every civilized country where a newspaper was published.

A charitable fund established by Mr. MURRAY, manager of the Edinburgh Theatre, in behalf of decayed performers, was about being introduced to the world by a public dinner. DOUGLAS JERROLD, it may be remembered, said, that, if London were overthrown by an earthquake, the survivors would assemble next day among the ruins, and have a dinner to celebrate the catastrophe, or their own escape. Sir WALTER SCOTT was requested to preside at the first dinner in aid of this fund: the custom "across the water" being, after appeals from the Chairman and other well-known or noted speakers, to call upon the guests to contribute. This is so general a practice, that he who pays a guinea for his dinner-ticket knows that it carries with it an understanding that an equal amount, at least, shall be subscribed for the charity when the list goes round.

Sir WALTER SCOTT, though to a great extent retired from notice in Edinburgh since the cloud had obscured his fortunes, consented to take the chair, because he had a great liking for the drama, and great sympathy for all in want. The dinner took place on the 23d of February; and Lord MEADOWBANK, a Scotch Judge, and one of SCOTT's oldest friends, took him aside in the ante-room, and asked him whether he would object to a distinct and discreet reference to the authorship of the Waverley novels? In fact, in fact, ceased to be a secret after the creditors' inspection of the account-books of CONSTABLE and SCOTT. "Do just as you like: only don't say much about so old a story."

So authorized, Lord MEADOWBANK, in the course of the evening, proposed the health of the author of *Waverley*. Long before the Judge had ceased speaking, the company had, upon chairs and tables (for, on occasion, the grave Scotch become enthusiastic beyond all idea of those who have not witnessed such demonstrations); but, when he finally identified "the Great Unknown" with Sir WALTER SCOTT, then before them, a most remarkable excitement arose. When it had at last subsided, Sir WALTER made this reply:

"I certainly did not think, in coming here today, that I should have the task of acknowledging, before three hundred gentlemen, a secret, which, considering that it was communicated to more than twenty people, has been remarkably well kept. I am now at the bar of my country, and may be understood to be on trial before Lord MEADOWBANK as an offender; and so quietly did all conduct themselves, and *pari passu* with themselves, that I am sure, that, were the *panel* now to stand on his defence, every impartial jury would bring in a verdict of 'Not proven.' I am willing, however to plead 'Guilty'; nor shall I detain the Court by a long explanation, why my confession has been so long deferred. Perhaps caprice might have a considerable share in the matter. I have now to say, however, that the merits of these works, if they had any, and their faults, are all entirely imputable to myself. Like another Scottish criminal of more consequence, one *Macbeth*,

'I am afraid to think what I have done:
Look on't again I dare not.'

"I have thus far unbosomed myself; and I know that my confession will be reported to the public. I mean, then, seriously to state, that when I say I am the author, I mean the total and undivided author. With the exception of quotations, there is not a single word that was not derived from myself, or suggested in the course of my reading. I wish to say this fairly, and the book buried. You will allow me further to say, with *Prospero*, it is your breath that has filled my sails, and to crave one single toast in the capacity of the author of these novels. I would fain dedicate a bumper to the health of one who has resuscitated several of those characters, of which I had endeavored to give the skeleton, with a truth and liveliness for which I may well be grateful. I propose the health of my friend John Ballantyne, Nicol Jarvie; and I am sure that when the author of *Waverley* and *Rob Roy* drinks to Nicol Jarvie, it will be received with the just applause to which that gentleman has always been accustomed; nay, that you will take care that, on the present occasion, it shall be pro-di-gi-ous. (Long and vehement applause.)

Mr. MACKAY—"My conscience! My worthy father the deacon, could never have believed that his son would see so fine a compliment paid to him by 'the Great Unknown?'"

Sir WALTER SCOTT—"The Small Known, now, Mr. Bailie," &c., &c.

In my own experience as a journalist, extending over forty years, I never found any purely personal subject cause so great a sensation as this. Meadow-bank had been let into the secret; and to end that farce at once, I pleaded guilty: so that splore is ended. As to the collection, it has been much cry and little woo, as the deil said when he shore the sow," was SCOTT's quaint record in his diary. It is probable that the disclosure was far from being a disadvantage to him in a commercial point of view. The mystery had been well kept, and the next Waverley novel, avowedly Sir WALTER's, would be read with a particular and personal interest. The taking off the mask must, by that time, have been a relief to himself.

The secret has been kept by "upwards of twenty persons," SCOTT said; but there were many more. I can count up Sir Walter's wife, four children and daughter-in-law, mother, and brother Thomas, James and John Ballantyne, Archibald Constable and Robert Cadell, Daniel McCorkindale and Daniel Robertson, (two persons employed in the printing office,) Adam Terry, William Laidlaw, George Huntly Gordon, Joseph Train, Charles, Duke of Buccleuch, Lady Louisa Stuart, Lord Montagu, Lord and Lady Polwarth, Lord Kinedder, Sir Adam Fergusson, Mr. Morritt of Rokeby, Mr. and Mrs. Skene of Rubislaw, Mr. William Clerk, Mr. Hay Donaldson and Mr. John Gibson, (his men of business,) Mr. Thomas Shortreed, Mr. John Richardson, of London, Mr. Thomas Moore, and Mr. John Gibson Lockhart, his son-in-law, literary executor and biographer.

It may be suspected that some of the married gentlemen in this list might have communicated the secret to their spouses, "in strict confidence;" but as, though suspected, it was not disclosed, a verdict of "Not proven" might be returned in their case.

Thirty-five persons, then—twenty-seven men and eight women—certainly knew, and for a longer or shorter time kept, the most interesting, if not the most important, literary secret of the present century.

HIS LAST DAYS.

Early on the morning of July 11, 1832, he was placed in his carriage, and the journey to Abbotsford began. For a time, he was torpid; but descending the Vale of Gala, familiar and beloved scenery, he recognised various places by name; and when, turning himself on the couch, his eye caught at length his own towers, at the distance of a mile, he sprang up with a cry of delight. It required all the strength of LOCKHART, Dr. WATSON, and NICOLSON to keep him in the carriage. WILLIAM LAIDLAW had preserved everything at Abbotsford for the reception of his friend, its master. Upon him lay the responsibility of this, because before Sir WALTER quitted Abbotsford he had given LAIDLAW a mandate or letter of authority to represent him as a land-owner at county meetings, and a full and particular paper of directions as to keeping the house, the books, and the garden in order. As Mr. LAIDLAW's memoranda are more in detail, on the interesting point of Sir WALTER's return to Abbotsford, than Mr. LOCKHART's, I shall preferentially use them here. Mr. LAIDLAW wrote, "I was at the door when he, (Sir WALTER,) Mr. and Mrs. LOCKHART and Miss SCOTT arrived. They said he would not know me. He was in a sort of long carriage, that opened at the back. He had an uncommon stupid look, staring straight before him; and assuredly he did not know where he was. It was very dismal. I began to feel myself agitated in spite of all my resolution. LOCKHART ordered away the ladies; and two servants, in perfect silence, lifted him out, and carried him into the dining-room. I followed, of course. They had placed him in a low arm-chair, where he reclined. Mrs. LOCKHART made a sign for me to stepforward to see if he would recognize me. She said, "Mr. LAIDLAW, papa." He raised his eyes a little; and, when he caught mine, he started, and exclaimed, 'O Good God, LAIDLAW! I have thought of you a thousand times!" and he held out his hand. They were all very much surprised; and, it being quite unexpected, I was much affected. He was put to bed. I had gone into one of the empty rooms; and, some little time after, NICOLSON came to tell me that Sir WALTER wished to see me. He spoke a little connuedly, but inquired if the people were suffering any hardship, if they were satisfied, &c."

Mr. LAIDLAW has omitted to mention, what Mr. LOCKHART observed, that the dogs, with that fine instinct noted by the Prince of Poets when he made Ulysses recognized by *his* faithful dog Argus, assembled about his chair, fawning upon him, and licking his hands; and he alternately sobbed and smiled over them until sleep oppressed him.

It was a sound sleep, out of which he awoke next morning perfectly conscious and collected. He wished to go into his garden; and was carried in a Bath chair for some time over the turf before his door, and among the rosebeds of his garden, then in bloom. After this he was wheeled through the principal rooms of Abbotsford Hall and Library for an hour, frequently saying, "I have seen much, but nothing like my own house; give me one turn more." Next day he was even better, and asked LOCKHART to read to him. "Out of what book?" He answered, "Need you ask? there is but one." He listened to the fourteenth chapter of the Gospel of St. John, and expressed his delight at having followed the reader distinctly. The third day part of CRABBE's poem of "The Borough" was read to him; but he listened to it as if it were a new poem. Sunday arrived, and he heard the church service read, asking, at the close, why the prayers on the visitation of the sick were omitted. These were then read. So went on a few days, until he chafed at his own "sad idleness," and desired to have his desk opened that he might write. Refusal was vain. He was removed into his study; a pen was placed in his hand, and he desired to be left to himself for a little. His hand had lost the power of holding the pen, which dropped on the paper. "He sank back on the pillows," Mr. LOCKHART says, "silent tears rolling down his cheeks; but, composing himself by and by, mentioned me to wheel him out at doors again. LAIDLAW met us at the porch, and took his turn of the chair. Sir WALTER, after a little while, again dropped into slumber. When he was awaking, LAIDLAW said to me, 'Sir WALTER has had a little repose.' 'No, WILLIE,' said he: 'no repose for Sir WALTER but the grave.' The tears again rushed from his eyes. 'Friends,' said he, 'don't let me expose myself. Get me to bed.'"

After that day Sir WALTER never left his room, and scarcely his bed, except for an hour or two in the middle of the day; and, after another week, he was unable even for this. He recognised some friends from Edinburgh—one by her voice—but gradually declined, apparently suffering no pain, and seemingly occupied with serious thoughts, and repeating verses from Isaiah and the Book of Job, a petition from the Litany, a verse from the Scotch metrical version of the Psalms, or a chant, such as the "Stabat Mater" or the "Dies Iræ," from the Roman ritual. All this time, while his strength slowly wasted, he recognised his daughters, son-in-law, and WILLIAM LAIDLAW, when they spoke to him. Mr. GIBSON inquired of LAIDLAW, after all was over, whether he recollected anything particular that had fallen from Sir WALTER on his death-bed. "No," he said: "Only I remember that one fine afternoon, when the sun was shining bright into his bedroom, but he was very low, I said, Cheer up, Sir WALTER; you used to say, 'Time and I against any two;' upon which he raised himself on his elbows, pushed back his nightcap, and merely said, 'Vain boast!' fell back on his pillow and relapsed into silence."

Meanwhile, as he was incapable of performing his duties as Sheriff, which had been increased by the provision for Parliamentary elections under the new Reform bill, and his Sheriff substitute, not educated for the law, felt himself incompetent to execute these novelties, an act of Parliament was passed, authorising the Crown to appoint a new Sheriff of Selkirkshire "during the incapacity or non-resignation of Sir WALTER SCOTT." Mr. JEFFREY introduced this bill into the Commons in language so graceful and touching that PEEL and CROKER, his political opponents, went across the House to thank him.

LAST SCENE OF ALL.

At last came the great conclusion. Let me tell it in Mr. LOCKHART's own simple and pathetic words:

"As I was dressing, on the morning of Monday, the 17th of September, NICOLSON came into my room, and told me that his master had awoke in a state of composure and consciousness, and wished to see me immediately. I found him entirely himself, though in the last extreme of feebleness. His eye was clear and calm—every trace of the wild fire of delirium extinguished. 'LOCKHART,' he said, 'I may have but a minute to speak to you. My dear, be a good man, be virtuous, be religious, be a good man. Nothing else will give you any comfort when you come to lie here.' He paused a little, and then said, 'Shall I send for SOPHIA and ANNE?' 'No,' said he, 'don't disturb them. Poor souls! I know they were up all night. God bless you all!' With this he sank into a very tranquil sleep; and, indeed, he scarcely afterward gave any sign of consciousness, except for an instant on the arrival of his sons. They, on learning that the scene was about to close, obtained a new leave of absence from their posts; and both reached Abbotsford on the 19th. About 14 M. on the 21st of September, Sir WALTER SCOTT breathed his last in the presence of all his children. It was a beautiful day—so warm that every window was wide open; and so perfectly still, that the sound of all others most delicious to his ear, the gentle ripple of the Tweed over its pebbles, was distinctly audible as we knelt around the bed, and his eldest son kissed and closed his eyes."

The funeral took place on the 26th September, and though intended by the family to be strictly private, was attended by a very large concourse of friends and admirers from all parts of Scotland. At their own request, Sir WALTER's old domestics and foresters bore the coffin to the hearse, and from the hearse to the grave in Dryburgh Abbey. The pall was borne by his two sons, his son-in-law, and his little grandson, also by six cousins, and HUGH SCOTT, of Harden, chief of his family. Prayers were offered up in the house, before the coffin was removed, by two ministers of the Presbyterian Church. From early manhood Sir WALTER was a member of the Episcopal Anglican Church; and its fine burial-service was read over him at the grave by his friend Archdeacon WILLIAMS.

Sir WALTER's mortal remains were deposited by the side of his wife, in the lady-aisle, in the north transept of the old Abbey of Dryburgh, on Tweed side. This particular spot, which had been the burial-place of the SCOTTS of Haliburton in by-gone days, had been presented to Sir WALTER by the eccentric Earl of BUCHAN, owner of the ruins.

There is no solemn monument, neither "storied urn or ornamented bust," over Sir WALTER's grave in Dryburgh. A solid oblong block of Aberdeen granite, shaped after a design by CHANTREY, the sculptor, covers his remains, and bears the simple inscription:

SIR WALTER SCOTT, BARONET,
Died Sept. 21, 1832.

THE SCOTT CENTENNIAL.

Grand Celebration Today—The Ceremonies at Central Park—Banquets in the Evening—Letter from Gen. Sherman.

The celebration of the one hundredth birthday of Sir WALTER SCOTT, in this City, today, promises to be an imposing affair. The procession of the various societies and military, according to the latest returns sent in last night, will be larger than was at first expected.

The following is the programme of exercises at the Park:

Prayer by Rev. JOHN THOMSON, D. D.; introductory address by RICHARD IRVIN, Esq., President of the Scott Centenary Committee; address by WILLIAM WOOD, Esq.; laying of foundation-stone and presentation by RICHARD IRVIN, Esq.; response by his Honor Mayor HALL; benediction.

Among those invited to the banquet to take place at Delmonico's, in the evening, are E. M. ARCHIBALD, Esq., British Consul General; Lord WALTER CAMPBELL, brother of the Marquis of LORNE; Judge DALY, WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT, RICHARD GRANT WHITE, Esq., and many others. Mr. RICHARD IRVIN will preside, and Mr. ROBERT BORDON, President of the St. Andrew's Society, will act as Vice-President.

At the head of the table will be placed a striking portrait of the distinguished poet, and at the bottom will be placed the original design of the monument, by KEMP, now erected in Princes-square, Edinburgh.

On the table will also be placed a number of flowers recently arrived, and sent especially for the occasion by Lady ANNE R. HOPE-SCOTT, a well-known English statesman, and the present occupant of Abbotsford, together with a genuine thistle, so dear to the heart of every true Scotchman.

The following letter has been received from Gen. SHERMAN:

HEAD-QUARTERS ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12, 1871.

Richard Irvin, Esq., President Scott Centenary Committee:

MY DEAR SIR: I have just received your card of invitation to be present on the 15th inst., in the Central Park, at the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of a monument to Sir WALTER SCOTT. I regret beyond measure that I am under a promise to others that will prevent my coming, for I would like thus to manifest my sense of the great propriety of thus proclaiming to the world America's obligation to the great author, who has woven the crude tradition of his native land into tales of exquisite and everlasting interest to the whole civilized world. Though absent in person I will be present in spirit, and I hope that I may be permitted many times hereafter to see the completion of the monument than you now begin.

With great respects, I am yours truly,
W. T. SHERMAN, General.

The dinner of the Caledonian Club and other societies, and the members of the Seventy-ninth Highlanders, at the Central Park Casino, in the evening, will also, it is anticipated, be a splendid affair.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

OPENING OF THE SEASON AT BOOTH'S.

The opening performance of the Fall season, at Booth's Theatre, was witnessed last evening by an immense audience. "Little Nell and the Marchioness" was the play, and Miss LOTTA the principal artiste. Both are rejuvenescent and fascinating as ever. This record of fact is all the occasion needs. Questionings as to the potency of an ill-built play and of a pretty and mischievous little person would be repetitions only of earlier references to the same subjects and of failure in getting a reply. Booth's is the fourth house in this City where the same performer and the same piece have been shown. The incidents of the entertainment, yesterday, were even more flattering to the actress and dramatist than those of previous rehearsals. The representation, though it lasted until 11½ o'clock, was followed with unswerving interest, and the hilarity was incessant and almost boisterous. In respect of attracting and amusing the public, then, the season begins as auspiciously as could be desired. We should be glad if the house appeared likely to benefit by its results in the future as in the present. The star system, as it is called, is not the most health-giving influence a theatre can come under, and its effect is shown in most places by incomplete performances, offered in deference to the expression of a desire, nowadays, not to hear a drama, or a dramatic company, or to visit a play-house, but to see the single comedian whose name fills the bills. For the present, success is assured. Adopting the new line of policy, the management is to be complimented for the care and generosity with which the means for its vindication have been provided. "Little Nell" and the "Marchioness" is well acted generrily and admirably illustrated. Miss LOTTA, whose goodlooks and vivacity have not been lessened by some years of activity, and whose songs, banjo-solos and clog-dances are, if possible, more finished in style than when heard and watched in her last engagement, has excellent co-operation, principally from Mr. ROBERT PATEMAN, Mr. JOHN T. RAYMOND, and Mr. H. FORSBERG. Mr. PATEMAN's picture of *Quilp*, is the best seen since the first night of Mr. BROUGHAM's dramatization. His dwarf is morally and physically as ugly as can be, but the creature is more human than the originator of the character made him. Without being very sympathetic, Mr. RAYMOND's personation of *Dick Swiveller* is clever and impressive. The stature of Mr. FORSBERG is a conspicuous trait of his portraiture of *Sampson Brass*. Miss MARY WELLS is *Sally Brass*, but the part is insignificant. The characters remaining are in capable hands. The scenery is exquisite. The view of the old curiosity shop is the finest imaginable, and the fair-tableau is notable for a height and beauty of sky quite unattainable on other stages. The cheerful accompaniments of the entertainment have been alluded to already. The special feats of Miss LOTTA, and her singing and dancing elicited many demands for repeats, and after the curtain had fallen upon the third act, the lady was recalled and overwhelmed with flowers. We say, again, that a long series of evenings of money-making and mirth has been commenced at Booth's. Performances of a more elevated order are in reserve. Let us hope that the versatile public, which has welcomed farce after tragedy, will then find the graver mood not uncongenial; and that the time will come when the melancholy bow of *Hamlet*, summoned anew to the foot-lights, will be made in response to at least as loud applause as that to which a dainty foot, protruded from behind classical canvas, now waves an acknowledgment.

Musical.

THE NILSSON CONCERTS.

We learn it is likely that Mrs. C. D. MOULTON will be engaged for the concert season under the management of Mr. MAX STRAKOSCH. Mrs. MOULTON sang here, for a charitable purpose, last year. She is an amateur, whose voice and talent are exceptional. Both were admired for many seasons in Parisian society.

PERU.

The Era of Progress in the Land of the Incas—Great Railroad Enterprises—Festive Prelates Ordered From Lima by the President—The Presidential Campaign.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LIMA, Monday, July 24, 1871.

Notwithstanding the Republic of Peru is convulsed by the most intense political excitement consequent upon the approach of the presidential election, the turbulent state of the community has not appeared to interrupt the steady march of progress. In no way has this spirit of advancement made itself more manifest than in the rapid extension of railway lines, opening up, as they will, the richest sections of a country naturally one of the most wealthy on the globe. Of the new roads there is none that is looked upon with greater interest than the railway about to be constructed from Payta to the City of Piura, the capital of a rich province of the same name, in the northern portion of the Republic. Payta is the great port in the North and is the rendezvous for all the American whalers in the South Pacific. It is the seaport of Piura, from which it is distant about forty miles. It exports large quantities of raw Indian-rubber, Peruvian bark, cocoa, drugs and dyes, and quite a respectable amount of cotton of a very fine quality. The road is to be a narrow gauge, and will be completed in six months. The contract has been awarded to Mr. FREDERICK BLUME at 945,000 soles. The next in importance is the road to Truxillo. The railway is to run from the seaport of Truxillo to Huanchaco, and will aid very materially in the development of the resources of several very wealthy provinces. It will traverse the fertile valleys of Chicama, Santa Catalina and Viza. The Valley of Chicama alone contains 125,000 acres of cultivated land. It produced last year 55,000 sacks of rice, 5,000 bales of cotton, 60,000 barrels of sugar, 4,000 barrels of rum, 15,000 sacks of anise, and large quantities of barley, &c. The stock of the Truxillo Company is 400,000 soles, divided into 300 active shares of 1,000 soles each, and 2,000 reserved at 500 soles each. The road from Chicalayo to Eten was formally opened on the 14th inst. by Señor DON GARCIA Y GARCIA, once Minister to the United States. It extends through a rich country to Cerro Pomalca. The work upon the docks at Callao still goes bravely on. When completed, these harbor improvements will compare very favorably with the most noted in the world. The Government has just awarded a contract to a French engineer, M. GABRIEL LARRIEU, to construct a fine Custom-house and docks at Arica, which will be remembered as having suffered fearfully from the effects of the tidal wave in 1868. The railroad to Arequipa having been finished, the antiquated Arequipaños are bethinking themselves of introducing gas. However, Mr. MEIGGS, the American railroad contractor, has unlimited influence in the place, and whatever he says will be accepted as law by the unsophisticated inhabitants. Though the people of Peru are said to be in a measure under the influence of the clergy, it is certain that the authorities are not under their power. A few days ago the Bishop of Chachapoyas was requested by the Government to depart from Lima, and attend to the spiritual welfare of his diocese. There are now over a dozen good fat prelates enjoying "the pleasures of sin for a season" at the Capital, and much surprise has been expressed that President BALTA has not made the same request in their case that he did in that of the delinquent Bishop of Chachapoyas. As I write, the report reaches me of the popular candidature of Gen. ECHINIQUE for the Presidency, and as he is the army and clergy candidate, he is supposed to hold the "weather-gauge;" but the result even brilliant as it looks at present for ECHINIQUE, is all conjecture. The Peruvian populace is as fickle as a Parisian mob, and will shoot the very man whom twenty-four hours previous they exalted to the highest stations, and filled the air with his praise.

TALCA.

The Trouble in Store for Wilmington Land-Holders.

From the St. Catherine's (Ont.) Times, Aug. 11.

It seems the greater SPRINGER family are likely to become suddenly rich. The lawyers are at present "working up" a case which, when successfully concluded, will give the heirs of the late CHARLES CHRISTOPHER SPRINGER, great-grandfather to MOSES SPRINGER, M. P. P. for North Waterloo, a legacy of about $80,000,000—not a bad "take," as printers would say. It appears that this CHARLES C. SPRINGER was a native of the State of Delaware, where he had large possessions. Something over 100 years ago he leased 800 acres of land to the Episcopal Church there for a term of ninety-nine years, after which it was to fall back to his legal heirs. This land now comprises the greater part of the City of Wilmington, and is of very great value. The way it happened to pass into private hands we understand is as follows: The trustees of this trust, seeing that the family had been scattered by the troublous times of the revolution, and many of whom had royalties came to Canada, illegally sold this estate and left for Europe. The heirs are quite numerous in Canada, many of them quite well to do, and they have undertaken to investigate the matter before the United States Supreme Court. From what we hear the matter is assuming a very practical, clear and plausible shape. While we admit this a matter of this kind may cause numerous hardships to those who imagine they are real estate owners, and, perhaps, have the earnings of a life-time invested in this way, we must congratulate our old friend in North Waterloo, and his numerous relatives, on the bright prospect of becoming millionaires. We are sure they will make good use of the money when it comes, which can't be said of many who become suddenly rich.

A Lightning Bolt in Georgia.

A fierce thunder-storm passed over Columbus, Ga., on Wednesday afternoon last, during the continuance of which several buildings in different parts of the city were struck. The residence of Mr. D. E. WILLIAMS, corner of Jackson and Thomas streets, was damaged greatly. The lightning struck a large oak tree in the yard, tearing it badly, and descending, struck the corner of the building, tearing the weather-boarding off, and entering a room where Mr. WILLIAMS and his wife were reclining on a bed. The bolt tore the four posts of the bed to pieces, and the bed fell to the floor. Mr. WILLIAMS was asleep at the time. Neither he nor his wife was injured, but they were badly stunned. Their escape from instant death is laid to the fact that the bed was covered with a wire canopy—the wires being sank into the posts, and that they acted as conductors. A young son of Mr. WILLIAMS', asleep at the time in his crib, was not awakened. Planks from the house were hurled with tremendous force into the middle of the street, and one piece, three feet long, driven into the wall of the room where Mr. WILLIAMS and family were sleeping. The mosquito net was searched, but did not take fire; the sheets were split in several places. After leaving the bed, the track of the bolt could be traced along the floor, under the child's crib, to where it went through the floor and into the ground beneath the house. Mrs. WILLIAMS was awake and reading at the time.

AN EXPRESS ROBBERY.

How it Was Done, and How the Property was Recovered—$86,000 in Bonds Buried in the Earth.

From the St. Louis Republican, Aug. 12.

Yesterday witnessed the success of the detectives in recovering the property stolen at the recent express robbery. Sergt. HARRIGAN obtained information, late on Thursday night, respecting the disposition of the $86,000 bonds, and, acting upon it, went, yesterday morning, to East St. Louis to recover them. They had been buried in a sack a foot underground, about a mile and a half from the town, and about twenty-five feet from the track of the Terre Haute Railroad. From the description he had, he did not experience much difficulty in finding the spot. He quickly unearthed the bonds, and brought them to the city, when he delivered them to the United States Express Company. On examination it was found that one $250 bond was missing. As may be supposed, the Company was very glad to get back the $85,750. Some money which was stolen at the same time as the bonds has also been recovered. There are now under arrest, on charges of being concerned in the robbery, W. D. SOUTER, messenger of the Express Company, JERRY SCANNON and TOM GRADY, who are alleged to have got into the wagon, driven off, and stolen the property, and PETER SHERIDAN, charged with being an accomplice. SOUTER was interviewed, yesterday, and found to be quite communicative, both in relation to his own participation and that of the others in the robbery. He is a young man, about thirty-three years of age, slightly built, and about five feet nine inches in height. His statement was as follows:

"I came from Baltimore about five years ago, and was in that city a driver in the Adams Express Company. About three years ago a party who afterward went on the Police force commenced to use his influence on me to perpetrate the robbery of the United States Express Company. He was at the time holding a position similar to mine in the Company—that of a driver. Afterward I ran as messenger on the Pacific Railroad, about two years. My proposition, when made to me to allow myself to be gagged, and the safe to be robbed at the Laclede Station, or a station just outside of the city, I would not agree to that. They came to me day in and day out, and tried to persuade me for a long time. Even since I became a deliverer of money for the Express Company they have been after me in order that I might leave my safe unlocked. With respect to this robbery, they came to me night after night since about six months ago, asking if I would not leave the safe open, and stating that they would get men to rob it. I fought against it for nearly six months, but they were after me all the time, and at last they got me to consent. I have been acquainted with the principal one for nearly five years, and he acquired such an influence over me that I could not resist it. There were previous attempts made to rob the Company. Two bogus packages were sent, one from Alton and one from St. Charles, and a man gave SHERIDAN money to go with one of the packages to St. Charles. Two such packages are now in the Express office, awaiting delivery. One had to be delivered on Ninth-street, between Locust and St. Charles streets. The other was addressed to No. 906 St. Charles-street. The last one was addressed to a party in the alley between Franklin-avenue and Morgan-street, and Fourth and Fifth-streets. I did not previously give them a chance to "beat" the wagon. The person who was planning the robbery told me that he would get both his share and mine. I was to have one-fifth as my share. I thought it would be about $300 or $400. One of the parties came to my house and told me he had sent a package to St. Charles, and also where it was addressed to. I saw GRADY twice to know him, once before the robbery and once since. I never saw SCANNON till after the robbery. I never saw SHERIDAN until he was brought near my house about 9 o'clock at night, and I was requested to come out to a lumber pile where we had a conversation. That was six weeks before the robbery. I saw GRADY about four weeks ago. The morning of the robbery I kept $2,500 in my pocket. One package of $1,500 I intended to give to one of the parties. The balance I intended to deliver. I kept this for fear that the others would run away with the whole of it. I left the safe in the wagon unlocked. I had the key in my pocket. [Emphasizing the word] unlocked. KENDALL, the driver, did not know anything about it. He is perfectly innocent. I got scared and took the money I had to the office when I saw the wagon was not there. It was very easily explained why I had the money. The packages were 'routed.' The bonds were given to an accessory. He got scared and gave them to some one else, because he though Sergt. HARRIGAN knew him. After he went home his wife told him that the detectives had run through his yard, the men, on running away, having run through the yard, and the detectives having inquired about them. After supper on the following night the man took the bonds in a sack and gave them to somebody. After the robbery the robbers said that the money had all been lost, but they expected to get it. I have got from the parties fifty cents at one time, $1 at another, $15 at another, and $2 more at another time. All this I borrowed. I saw GRADY once before the robbery and once since. Frequently a party most implicated in the robbery would meet me in the morning, asking me what sort of a run I had, and watching the wagon, as if for attack; but I would not give him a chance. I ought to have told Capt. FORD about it, but I did not think the thing would have happened until I got so far in. The first year I was with the Company I was driver, and then I was messenger on the Pacific Road. I got $83 33½ a month at that time. I found I could not make a living. I latterly got $75 a month as a messenger. I was making a good living. I was told by parties I ought to have allowed them to rob me at Laclede, and I said yes. I have always been sober and attended to my business. I was on the Police force for four months and eleven days. I left to go to the Express Company again. I have been told after the robbery that GRADY drove the wagon and that SCANNON robbed the safe."

The name of the party spoken of by SOUTER as having planned the robbery is not given, the Police discrediting the messenger's statement, he having made several to the same purport entirely from this one. The party referred to is in town, but has not been placed under arrest. He says that instead of persuading SOUTER to allow the robbery, SOUTER endeavored to induce him to commit it. The messenger hopes for leniency, stating that he is one of the least guilty of the parties, and is the father of his having a wife and child and a mother-in-law who are dependent upon him. Capt. FORD could not promise him anything, saying that the law must take its course.

Mysterious Murder of a Lady in Georgia.

A singular murder is reported to have been committed at the residence of Mr. JOSEPH DAVIS in Bullock County, Ga., on the 9th inst., particulars of which the Savannah *Republican* gives as follows:

"About 3 o'clock Wednesday morning the inmates of Mr. DAVIS' house were alarmed by the loud screams of his wife. Her sister ran to the room and found Mrs. DAVIS sitting on the bed. As soon as she entered the room Mrs. DAVIS said, 'I am bleeding to death; run out and call some of the neighbors,' after which she sank down on the bed a lifeless corpse. On examination it was found that some one had cut her throat, and from the nature of the wound it is thought that it was inflicted with a pocket-knife, which was afterward found in a tub of water in the yard. At the time that the wound was inflicted Mrs. DAVIS was sleeping in bed with her two little children. Her husband was from home on a fishing frolic, and the sad news of this tragedy was as startling as it was unexpected. No one can account for the outrage, nor can it be even surmised who was the cowardly perpetrator."

An Unromantic Recognition—A Long-Lost Boy Discovered at a Circus by His Sister.

From the Chicago Times.

About seven years ago JOHNNY HYDE was of the interesting age of eight years. Like most boys, next to the Sabbath-school he loved the circus. For weeks he would save the money which his father gave him to put in the missionary box, to buy tickets for the grand avenue exhibition, and when once seated under the canvas, would fasten his eyes on the bespangled artists, and shout with delight at their graceful evolutions on the padded platforms on the backs of the horses. The talented clown, overflowing with humor and wit of the highest order, was also appreciated by him. JOHNNY couldn't get enough of the circus at his home in Dubuque, so he resolved to run away with the next company that came along, and did so. His father, and mother, and sisters, and brothers all wept for JOHNNY for a long time, until they gave him up for dead, or at any rate dead to them.

A few days ago JOHNNY's sister, Miss EMMA HYDE, came to this city to visit some friends and relatives. On Wednesday evening, in their company, she visited the circus now performing here. During the show, as Miss EMMA was watching the daring performance of a bareback rider, a healthy boy of about fifteen years came by the party in which she was seated, shouting "Fans, fans; have a fan, Sir!" Miss EMMA looked into his face, recognized her long-lost brother, and fainted in proper dramatic style. JOHNNY, the wayward, whose youthful apprehensions had never been excited by the appalling picture of the disobedient lad who fell from his first tight rope on account of seeing the spectre of his broken-hearted sister at the extremity of his balancing pole, thereby breaking his backbone and unfitting himself for circus service, did not even stagger at the recognition. But his sister refrained from fainting he would have bared his brawny arm and exhibited the strawberry mark, but under the circumstances he merely said, "How are you Em?" and continued the sale of his merchandise.

JOHNNY's people are in good circumstances, and as his experience has convinced him that life in a circus is not all play and no work, he will probably retire into private life.

UNITED ITALY.

The Celebration in San Francisco.

The San Francisco papers say that the Italian procession in that city on the 6th inst. was a great success in every sense of the word. The *Alta* says: "The procession was well arranged, artistic and interesting in a high degree. Forced from the field of world-history by sad internal dissensions and derisions, created for the purpose of weakening her strength, Italy had for ages no field in which her genius could be displayed except that of art. That she has stood peerless there needs no testimony at our hands. Some of that art and esthetic culture was, of course, observable on the pageantry of yesterday. The procession, though small, when compared with the other demonstrations which have recently taken place, was not behind any in chasteness of design and beauty of expression. A few of the mourners over the late temporal sovereignty of the Pope expressed their sympathy, in an inoffensive manner, for the 'Lost Cause;' but we are glad to state that the great majority of Roman Catholics in this city frowned down the desire on the part of the few hot heads to display the spirit shown by the mob in New-York on the 12th of July. A few cowardly notes of warning, informing those to whom they were addressed that the only safety for them was to keep out of sight, were received by a number of persons; but as the days have passed in which that kind of buncomb was effective, they were treated with the contempt which they and the cowardly senders merited. To the Italians great credit is due for the orderly and in every respect dignified and gentlemanly manner in which they bore themselves during the whole day, thereby winning the respect of the whole community. Mayor SELBY and Chief of Police CRAVEN are entitled to the thanks of the community for the admirable precautions taken to preserve the peace."

Orations were delivered by A. D. SPLIVALO and R. GAMBARO. The former said: The Italians are not opposed to the august head of the Catholic Church, but they were, and with reason, bitter enemies of the political ruler of the Romish States, who for a thousand years was the cause of war and discord among the people of Italy. A leading Catholic journal a few days ago had an article full of surprise because the Italian Clubs in Italy did not side with the views of Dr. DOLLINGER. This shows the ignorance of the editor. The Italian clubs are political, and the dogmas of infallibility has as little to do with them and their discussions as it does with the different political blackleys of the ward clubs of this City. It is time that especially our Catholic Irish brethren should see for themselves, and should lay aside this absurd enmity against all liberal Catholics. Experience should have taught them what were the views of the clergy in general, and the clergy of the City of New-York in particular, toward the Fenian organizations years ago, when they were denounced from the pulpit as dangerous and unlawful secret societies. The people of Ireland, suffering under a Government opposed to the will of the Irish people, should be the last to say even a word against a nation accomplishing that national unity and independence so much desired by every patriotic Irishman. Irishmen, take a practical view of the question, and remember that one of your most earnest defenders, the one who has written one of the best treatises on the wrongs of Ireland, was the lamented Italian Minister, CAVOUR. Our principles are not in antagonism. You are Catholics; so are we. You venerate the Holy Father, and we do the same. You wish Rome to be the See of the Catholic world; there is nothing we desire so earnestly. You have suffered long from foreign oppression; the Italians have been victims longer than you. You are patriots; so are they. You desire national unity and independence; they have accomplished theirs. They can inscribe on their banners, *Viva Italia, Roma Capitole.* I hope the day is not far distant when you may inscribe on yours, Ireland, free and independent.

There will be three grand events, which, of themselves and on account of the great principles involved and the many difficult questions solved, will occupy a prominent place in history. First, American Union—LINCOLN and GRANT; German Unity—BISMARCK and MOLTKE; Italian Unity—CAVOUR and GARIBALDI.

Three mighty problems solved, three great statesmen directing, and three heroes triumphantly executing the difficult task. In this land, LINCOLN and GRANT need no one to ring their praises, for memory of the one and exalted position of the other are sufficient evidence of the gratitude of the American citizen.

BISMARCK and MOLTKE—the cannon roar has not yet died away, and the bequests from every quarter of the globe the names of the illustrious German Minister and General.

CAVOUR and GARIBALDI—names dear to every Italian heart, names honored and cherished by every true freeman, of whatever creed or nationality.

Indictment of Mrs. Wharton on the Charge of Poisoning.

On Saturday the Grand Jury of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City signed the indictment against Mrs. WHARTON, charged with the murder of Gen. WM. S. KETCHUM, and also with attempting to poison EUGENE VAN NESS. The Baltimore *Sun* says:

"The indictment for the murder of Gen. KETCHUM contains four counts. The first charges the administration of tartar emetic and tincture of yellow jasmine on the 28th of June, 1871, and second by administering poison, the name of which is unknown, in the same manner, on the same day. The third and fourth counts charge murder by three administrations of tartar emetic and poison of an unknown name, in lemonade on the 24th of June, in tea on the 26th of June, and tincture of yellow jasmine on the 28th of June, 1871.

The indictment for attempting to poison EUGENE VAN NESS contains twelve counts, and charges the actual administration of tartar emetic and deadly poison of unknown name on the 19th

THE PERSIAN FAMINE.

Direful Account of Its Horrors—A Recital of Its Existence.

By the arrival of the Indian mail in London, advices had been received from Bombay to July 3, Madras July 2, Calcutta July 1, &c. The Bombay papers continue to publish sad accounts of the famine in Persia. A special correspondent of the *East Goftar* writes from that country as follows: "Famine and epidemic are doing their work in Persia. People hitherto known as respectable go about pillaging. My own house was attacked, and while I was about to arrest one of the thieves, he attempted to shoot me, but, thank God, he missed his aim. Some days after, the Government apprehended nine murderers, three of whom were suspended from a tree on the same day, and the remaining six suffered the same fate a few days after. The inhabitants have taken to eating dogs, cats, asses, and other animals. No food of any kind is to be had for money. A Mohammedan killed his family devoured his own son and two other young children belonging to a neighbor; he was arrested, and the charge being proved, he was executed. On going into a Court of justice, I saw a prisoner with a cooking pot containing three cats, one of which was partly consumed; the Police had arrested him on suspicion that the pot contained human flesh. Cotton-seeds and date-stones are rarely seen, being now consumed. Cotton capsules, which were hitherto used as food for beasts, are now eaten by the populace. Date-stones, which are as hard as stone, are now soaked in water and devoured. One or two children are missed every day. The Managing Committee of the Society for Ameliorating the Condition of Poor Zoroastrians in Persia have received from their agent in Persia, Mr. MANOCKJEE LIMJEE ATTARIA, an account of the famine, dated 16th May, 1871. The writer says: 'The beautiful cities of Bustam, Damgan, and Subjavar are reduced to desolation and ruin. At Khorassan about 18,000 men have been swept off through hunger and disease, and when those who survive do not hesitate to use raked-up corpses as food, what else eatable could have been left in the district. People from other places, crowding at Teheran, wander about like beggars in the streets, and every day about fifteen men are picked up dead or dying in the streets. The ruin of Persia does not end here. This year's crop seems also to be extremely scanty, and it is a matter for great and universal anxiety how such a meagre crop can possibly supply the wants of a large population for the next twelve months. Owing to scarcity of wheat, we are informed, a great many of the religious 'ghumbar' feasts had to be neglected; and it was with great difficulty that the most important of them was celebrated. Further, we learn that men have begun to eat grass and vegetables like cattle in the fields, and are plagued with foot-sore, of which they die after lingering for two or three days. About five or six Parsees die in this manner every day." Notwithstanding the receipt of these tidings, the Persian Minister in London denies that there has been or that there is any famine in Persia. A dearth, he says, was experienced for some time, but it was only in the provinces adjoining the Persian Gulf that it was serious. The nomad tribes have suffered bitterly this year, and, being deprived of all means of subsistence, have repaired in crowds to the towns. There, by direction of His Majesty the Shah, and at his expense, the means have been organized of supplying assistance to this wandering and suffering population. With this view, public monuments have been turned to account. One of these in particular, the tomb of HAFIZ, contains as many as 800 poor or infirm persons who have been received and fed there. In other places assistance has been given to everybody coming. As regards cholera, there is no occasion to take any exceptional notice of it. Every year, at the period of excessive heat, the imprudent consumption of fruit gives rise to a certain number of cases, and this number has not been exceeded in any remarkable proportion. As regards the plague, the Persian Minister remarks that what has been said about it is 'a lie.' He adds: 'The statements which I have just made are derived from my latest correspondence and from the different numbers of the *Iran*, a journal deservedly esteemed at Teheran. I hold these documents at the disposal of any one who desires to know the truth. Besides, are there not at Teheran Legations of various nations, and telegraphic offices open to all? Can the truth not be easily learned? It is in the interest of that truth I beg you will be good enough to insert this letter.'"

A DEMOCRATIC RIOT.

The Capital of Kentucky in the Hands of a Mob on the Evening of Election Day—Effects of their Rule.

From the Louisville Commercial, Aug. 10.

We have been at some pains to get at the facts of the troubles at Frankfort by consulting those who are least likely to be laboring under feelings of excitement, and the result of this investigation develops that the statements published by the *Ledger*, from its correspondent there, are gross and inexcusable misrepresentations in some of their essential features, and their inflammable character renders them the more dangerous to the public peace. We shall not pretend to give a close detail of the events as transpiring, for that is impossible in the multitude of conflicting reports. But there are essential facts that need to be stated to develop the truth.

The riot occurred at the market-house precinct. The election during the day had been more quiet and orderly than either at the November or August elections of last year, and good citizens were congratulating themselves that the public peace had been so well preserved. Several intoxicated whites were around the polls in the evening, and some attempt was made to embarrass the colored voters; but, on proper representations, this was remedied by the officers. There were no signs of a riot up to the close of the polls, though there was occasional cheering by both sides. One negro was indicted, and making some disturbance by loud talking and gesticulations, was arrested early in the day and taken off to jail. It is not true, as stated, that the negroes were threatening to take the polls. Whatever threats of that sort were made came from the other side, but were not executed. Neither is it true that they were insulting the Democrats during the day, unless voting the Republican ticket was such insult. The statement that the Republican speeches on the Saturday night before the election were ingendiary, is equally false and unfounded. They were replete with exhortations to public order and peace. This origin is an after-thought.

Who fired the first shot, whether a white or black man, it is impossible to know in the conflicting statements made by various professed witnesses. Each side charges the first firing upon the other. This was followed by five or six shots, and then a general volley. The negroes stampeded at the firing, and their assailants pressed toward them as in pursuit, firing as they went.

Young GILLMORE, who was killed, was taking no part in the riot, according to the best testimony, and as to identifying the person who killed him, that is utterly impossible. He is as likely to have been killed by stray shots from his own party as from the negroes, for the firing was wild and indiscriminate.

Subsequent to the riot, a wagon was going down Main-street, containing two wounded negroes, when a rush was made upon it by several persons, but the intervention of the Police prevented the execution of whatever bloody designs the crowd may have had toward the inmates. One of them, HENRY WASHINGTON, was locked in jail, badly wounded. It was with some difficulty the frantic part of the populace could be restrained by cooler heads from shooting down every colored person that could be found on the streets. Threats were constantly made to this end, and equally as strong against the white Republicans who had done so great an offense as to advocate and vote for their principles. A considerable number of colored persons were wounded, but concealed their injuries for fear of being hung by the excited mob, that seemed to take the fact of a wound as proof of complicity in the riot.

That the State militia understood and co-operated with the programme of the mob that hung the two negroes, is clear from abundant testimony. They were on guard till 12 o'clock at the jail, or in the vicinity, with the Mayor, E. H. TAYLOR, Jr. Signs were evident among them that something was on foot, and the Mayor made a short address to them about 12 o'clock, exhorting them to stay on guard, and declaring his intention to prevent a rescue with his life. He called on all who were disposed to aid him to step forward, when nearly all responded. They did not keep faith, however, but shortly afterward dispersed, and the mob came, demanded the jail-keys, which were surrendered promptly, took HARRY JOHNSON, charged with rape, and HENRY WASHINGTON, from jail and hung them. The voluntary dispersal of the militia at 12 o'clock at night, after such a riot and amid intense excitement, and after the address by the Mayor, with the admissions made by some of its members, tell a fearful tale for the lawlessness of the capital of Kentucky. Only a few nights before the same militia had refused to guard the jail from apprehended mob attack. These militia are sworn to maintain the law, and yet they refuse to maintain it in the very capital of Kentucky. Was there ever disgrace so overwhelming?

The civil authorities declined to ask the aid of the United States forces, and it is said the County Judge was censured for getting them to guard the jail a few nights before.

Judge THOMPSON, County Judge, sought to do his duty and preserve order with the civil power, but the failure of the citizens to sustain him was obvious, and he reproached some of them for their lack of disposition to render the law supreme. The mob spirit is in the ascendency at Frankfort, and the civil power degraded and helpless. The reports being telegraphed from Frankfort of threatened violence on the part of the negroes are unfounded. The only violence as all likely is the violence of the mob against the negroes, as a class, provoked by incendiary appeals and threats, by violent articles in newspapers and upon the knowledge that the civil authorities are helpless. What a history of blood for the capital of Kentuckey and the government of the Democratic Party! Law and order defied, and the spirit of the mob in the ascendant.

THE SPRINGFIELD RACES.

Large Number of Entries—A Brilliant Prospect—The Programme of Events and Preparations.

The best horses in the country are going to attend the "Fall meeting" of the Springfield Club, Aug. 22, 23, 24, and the entries count up 104, a number unprecedented at any trotting meeting anywhere in the country this year. Keen Buffalo runs a trifle behind Springfield in the number of entries. There are 13 entries in the three-minute class, 15 in the 2:34 class, and the double-team class, 16 in the 2:21 class, 6 in the 2:25, 15 in the 2:50, the extraordinary number of twenty-one in the 2:28 class, thirteen in the 2:29, and two in the "open-to-all" class. All of these are fast horses—those entered in the three-minute and 2:50 classes probably being able to trot considerably below forty." In this class will be found *Rhode, Judge Scott, Meg Dee* and other well-known horses. In the 2:34 class are BIGLEY'S *Flora*, ALDEN GOLDSMITH'S *Huntress, Joe Hooker* and *Wild Oats*, besides *Farragut* and others equally well known. In the 2:21 class will be found *Wanda, Fawn, Colonel Lakeman, Dew Drop* and other distinguished trotters, while in the 2:25 class are *Confidence, Nonesuch, Thomas Jefferson* and *Royal John*, all flyers, from which fast time may be expected. The 2:29 class includes *Captain Gill, Sea Foam, Susie, India Rubber*, and other trotters, which will make a very interesting and exciting race. The open-to-all-class did not fill, three horses being required, and only *American Girl* and *Thomas Jefferson* entering. Other horses, expected to enter in this class, go from Buffalo to the Kalamazoo (Mich.) races, and so their owners have informed that they could not arrive there in season they did not enter them. It is yet possible that this class may be filled, but if not, a new and first quality race will be substituted. Within a short time the track on the park has been greatly improved, the dead dirt having been taken off, the whole track hardened, and the lower turn raised eighteen inches, making this track in no respect inferior to any in the country. Altogether, the prospect is that Springfield will see a larger crowd than has been assembled in her limits for many a year. The railroads have made liberal arrangements, by which all horses entered for the meeting will be transported free one way. Mr. L. J. POWERS, President of the Springfield Club, is making up the details of the affair with characteristic energy and enthusiasm. We append a list of the events:

FIRST DAY.—No. 1. A purse of $700. For all horses that have never trotted better than three minutes; $400 to first, $200 to second, $100 to third.

No. 2. A purse of $1,000. For all horses that have never trotted better than 2:34; $600 to first, $300 to second, $100 to third.

No. 3. A purse of $500. For double teams that have never trotted better than 2:30, double.

SECOND DAY.—No. 4. A purse of $1,200. For all horses that have never trotted better than 2:21; $700 to first, $300 to second, $200 to third.

No. 5. A purse of $2,000. For all horses that have never trotted better than 2:25; $1,200 to first, $600 to second, $200 to third.

No. 6. A purse of $700. For all horses that have never trotted better than 2:50; $400 to first, $200 to second, $100 to third.

THIRD DAY.—No. 7. A purse of $700. For all horses that have never trotted better than 2:38; $400 to first, $200 to second, $100 to third.

No. 8. A purse of $1,500. For all horses that have never trotted better that 2:29; $8 50 to first, $450 to second, $200 to third.

A MICHIGAN ELOPEMENT.

A Man and His Wife Elope Pending a Suit for Divorce—A Summary Ending to Innumerable Suits.

Late in July last the good people of the town of Lyon, Oakland County, Mich., were much excited by an application for divorce on the part of the wife of SAMUEL B. DOLPH, a Detroit drover, on the ground of adultery. The wife was the daughter of a wealthy farmer of their county, EVERETT by name, and naturally they have watched the successive stages of the contest with rapidly-increasing interest. The Detroit *Tribune* tells the story as follows:

"DOLPH, who had been enjoined from removing anything from a farm that was the property of his wife, attempted to take possession of the place, ejected the family living upon it, and was arrested for riot. In the meantime the family he had ejected reinstated themselves, and when he returned he found them well guarded by armed men. DOLPH was then arrested for adultery, and he gave bail. Subsequently DOLPH and his father visited the farm, and found people cutting the crops, and for interfering with them he and his father were arrested for assault and battery, but the younger DOLPH was acquitted. He then caused the crop-cutters to be arrested for assault and battery, and he also commenced proceedings for trespass, but the question of the title to the farm being interposed, the case went to the Oakland Circuit, and has never come to trial.

Other suits were brought by the wife, the elder and younger DOLPH, and by various parties, and by such legal gentlemen as Hon. J. J. WOODMAN and Hon. A. C. BALDWIN, of Pontiac, SYLVESTER LARNED and Hon. ALFRED RUSSELL, of this city, were retained on one side or the other to take part in the controversies. The suit at law embraced injunctions, replevins, trespass, and pretty much everything else known to the civil and criminal calendar, and the litigations bid fair to extend through several months, and perhaps years. DOLPH is well known, and has many influential and wealthy friends, and the same may be said of his wife, and these friends, it appears, were strenuous in their efforts to keep them separated.

Mrs. DOLPH remained secluded at the residence of some of her friends in this city, and a policeman was employed to watch DOLPH, fears being entertained that he might attempt to abduct her. Thus matters passed along for several weeks, and a few days since an arrangement was effected by which Mrs. DOLPH was to pay her husband $3,000, and all the suits, except that for the divorce, were to be discontinued. The papers were drawn up and signed, and the parties separated, Mrs. DOLPH avowing it as her determination never to live with him again. DOLPH, however, insisted that he loved his wife, and on Wednesday last a friend volunteered to effect a reconciliation between them. It is not necessary to state in detail all that occurred, but, to make a long story short, we may simply announce that the plan worked like a charm.

Mrs. DOLPH consented to elope with her husband and DOLPH to elope with his wife. She returned to the place where she was stopping in the upper part of the Fifth Ward, packed her trunk to be ready to move at a given time on Thursday afternoon, and DOLPH prepared himself for a journey, too. The friend referred to took a carriage and obtained Mrs. DOLPH, and subsequently drove after DOLPH. The carriage was driven rapidly to Hamtramck, where it remained until evening, and from thence the reconciled couple took passage on a train that carried them many miles away. Last night and today telegrams have been sent in every direction, but no traces have been discovered of Mr. and Mrs. DOLPH. They are out of reach of Detroit and Pontiac lawyers, who have pocketed fees to the amount of about $4,000, and they have sworn to forget and forgive and hereafter live happily."

A Protestant Church in Chicago Desecrated—The Services Interrupted.

For years, "Bridgeport," near the southwestern limits of the City of Chicago, has borne a bad reputation, which will be made worse by the following statements which appear in the Chicago *Evening Journal:*

"It is several years since the Second Baptist Church of this city, of which Rev. E. J. GOODSPEED is the pastor, taking compassion on this benighted place, determined to establish a mission at this point, and soon after erected a chapel in which to worship God. In course of time the good work, under the charge of faithful laborers, so far succeeded that it was thought best to organize the mission into an independent church, which was accordingly done about three years ago, under the name of the South Baptist Church of Chicago. The building is located on the corner of Lock and Bonaparte streets, and Rev. E. ELIS is the respected pastor of the congregation, having associated with him, as Superintendent of the Sabbath-school, Deacon S. SKEMP, well known in business circles in this city. It is to be observed that this is the only church in Bridgeport, with the exception of a Roman Catholic Church two blocks distant from it. The meetings of the Baptist Mission and Church have always been held under difficulties, and evidently to the dissatisfaction of many in that community, to whom the peaceable gatherings of these Sabbath worshipers were looked upon with jealousy and often openly-avowed hatred. More than once in the last two years have the meetings of the Baptists been disturbed by persons, usually half-grown young men and boys, who came into the house evidently for that purpose, or else made outrageous noises under the windows and in the door-way and vestibule of the church, for the purpose of annoying the worshipers within. Against these irregular proceedings the managers of the church frequently remonstrated, but in vain. These requests were met with threats even of violence, and they were told that a Baptist church with native-born members, was neither wanted nor would be tolerated in Bridgeport, which was claimed as a place for the exclusive enjoyment of foreigners.

Thus affairs continued until four weeks ago, when one day, in the absence of the person having charge of the church building, it was entered by a party of roughs and desecrated to a shameful extent. The Bible was found afterward, torn into pieces and thrown upon the floor, with all the appearance of having been trodden upon by the feet of the miscreants. About fifty hymn-books were stolen and carried away from the church. Stones were hurled through the windows into the building. Over the main entrance to the church there was formerly a fine large plate of glass painted in an ornamental style, and bearing upon it the name of the church. This glass was badly broken by stones thrown against it. Although these depredations were committed, many of them, in broad daylight, and, as it would seem, under the very eye of the Police and community, no arrests were made.

Last Sabbath evening, after the usual congregation had assembled for evening worship, the meeting was interrupted by a crowd of ruffians who entered the vestibule of the building and by loud talking and kicking about with their feet effectually dispelled every proper feeling of devoutness in the minds of the audience. Two of these boys entered the audience room, and for a while were seated, but their conduct was so outrageous that some of the church officers were compelled to order them out. Against this the young scamps violently remonstrated, and when, as at length it was found necessary to do, they were forcibly expelled from the room, they shocked the ears of the devout with the vilest profanity.

THE FUGITIVE MURDERER.

More Improbable Stories About Forrester, the Alleged Murderer of Mr. Nathan.

In its issue of Wednesday last, the New-Orleans *Picayune* adds the following to the many other stories about FORRESTER, whom it describes as a shrewd, desperate man, who, availing himself with consummate sagacity, of the bad feeling and open hostility of the Eastern and Western detectives, manages to elude the vigilance of both:

"It is not that FORRESTER cannot be caught, but that detectives in one section of the country will not catch him if they have to share the honor and reward of his capture with the detectives in another section. This is the true secret of his escape, as the subjoined facts will fully disclose. When FORRESTER was arrested in this city in April, 1870, by Capt. MALONE and Detectives HARRIS and PEARSON, it was as a fugitive from justice, and to be returned to the Illinois penitentiary from which he escaped. He was then stopping on Girod-street, and was accompanied by his wife, to whose instrumentality mainly he was indebted for his escape. After being remanded to the Parish Prison to await a requisition from Illinois, FORRESTER procured a writ of habeas corpus from the Fifth District Court, and was released before the detectives were aware of the fact.

The same night he secured his passage on the steamer *Beaufort* for Havana, and had passed into the Gulf before Chief of Police BADGER was aware of his application for release. From Havana he went to New-York, where he remained until after the Nathan murder. His flight from there was across the country, and he reached Meridian, Miss., three months afterward. At this point he was visited by his wife, who until then had not left New-Orleans from the time of FORRESTER'S escape. On her way up the Jackson Railroad Mrs. FORRESTER (or Mrs. Marshal as she was called) was the recipient of the polite assiduities and courteous attentions of a St. Louis detective, who had come to New-Orleans with the avowed purpose of taking FORRESTER back with him. But the graceful fascinations of the lovely blonde so won upon the detective's heart, that she not only wormed out of him his name and business, but managed to abstract from him her own photograph, which he submitted for her inspection.

From the information which Mrs. FORRESTER obtained from this modern VIDOCQ, her husband succeeded in eluding detective vigilance until he arrived in Matamoras. In that city he remained practising the profession of an American barber, until the 1st of last May, communicating with his wife regularly by letter, and in the preceding February receiving a visit from her of three weeks' duration.

It was necessary, however, for her to be in New-Orleans as a point of observation, and early in March she came back to New-Orleans and took up her old quarters on Girod-street. It was feared at this time that two New-Orleans detectives had got upon the right track of the fugitive, and from Matamoras FORRESTER went to the Island of St. Thomas, remaining there, however, only a short time, and returning reached New-Orleans on the 13th of July last, and remained until the 18th, when he left for Shreveport, and the three days afterward his wife left for that destination. Where they now are it behooves the detectives to discover.

One thing is certain. FORRESTER never went to Scotland—has not, indeed, been north of Mason and Dixon's line since January last. There is no doubt of the fact that FORRESTER could have been caught at any time from a period of two months after the murder, but for the jealousy of the detectives. In the first place, none of them believe that FORRESTER killed NATHAN, and in the second place, they are not willing to divide the reward with the New-York detectives, whereby they bungled the 'job' from the first. One thing is certain. Mrs. FORRESTER managed to obtain explicit information of all the particulars of the pursuit of her husband in advance, and via Shreveport he was generally aware of what was going on even before an emissary had started in the pursuit.

Northern and Western detectives came to New-Orleans, and the first thing they did was to declare their purpose in coming here, parade grandly up Girod-street, form the acquaintance of the man with whom Mrs. FORRESTER was boarding, and offer him reward for any information. There was but one conclusion to such a course. The detectives were either corrupt or insane. They either wished him to escape, or were unfit for their business. Whenever FORRESTER wished to come to New-Orleans he would contrive to have it circulated in Eastern and Western cities that he was here. In a few days the city swarmed with foreign detectives, and our own, stimulated by the visit, would unite with them to make the hunt for him hot and searching. This would be kept up for a few days without any result. All parties would get disgusted, and start at their own silliness in being led astray, return to their homes with some invented yarn to the effect that FORRESTER had gone to Europe or the West Indies. The vigilance of our own detectives would be put off the scent, and upon the heels of the furor FORRESTER would slip in, visit his wife, make new arrangements, and get away again clear of pursuit. The reports that he is in Europe, or in any of the islands of the Gulf or the Atlantic, are simply *canards*. He is in easy hailing distance of New-Orleans, and if he is ever captured he means that it shall be here.

In this connection it may not be improper to state that the difficulty with most of the detectives who have gone in pursuit of FORRESTER is that they do not know him. The two New-York detectives who came out here at the instance of BAGAN, of St. Louis, who thought he had him sure, would have had no difficulty in getting their man if they had told, in the proper quarters only, for what they came. But under the impression that they had everything at their fingers' ends, they went on their own hook and eventually went away as wise as they came. While he was here, BRADFORD, of New-York, and his associate, rode in a street-car conversing with FORRESTER, and didn't know him. The real fact of the case is that the reward for FORRESTER has been too large, and stimulates the avarice instead of the ingenuity of the detectives. But for this fact, in the first months of the pursuit they would have communicated freely with their brother detectives, and concerted plans would have been laid. But each man wanted to be the main instrument in his capture and hence nobody got him at all."

BULL AND BEAR.

Sad Disappointment of an Excited and Clamorous Crowd of Spectators in the Virginia City Opera-House—Ineffectual Attempts to Stir Up the Animals.

Virginia City, Nevada, has witnessed its anxiously-awaited fight between a bull and a bear. It took place in the evening of Saturday, 5th inst., in Piper's Opera-house, and the bull and the bear live to rejoice that it is over. The *Territorial Enterprise* describes the scene thus:

By 8 o'clock the theatre was crowded, in ten minutes more it was crammed, and twenty minutes after 8, when the sliding door of the cage was raised and the bear entered the arena, it was crammed. The bear, a large Coast Range animal of the cinnamon species, was released unrely into the huge cage, snuffed at the bars for a time, then went and took up his stand near the opposite sliding gate by which the bull was to be let in. The bear was loudly cheered. He began smelling about the door of the bull's stall. "He smells the bull!" was the cry. "Oh no, he ain't no fighter." "I smells the bull and wants to get at him!" Such were the cries heard and bear stock began to look up. It was a matter of some difficulty to get the bear away from the door long enough to let the bull into the arena. At last the bear left the door, it was raised and in started the bull. No sooner had he entered than he caught sight of the bear cowering at the opposite side of the cage. There was just room and for a slight hum of applause and approval when the large, firmly-knit and fierce-looking bull stepped forth and shook his head, and made a dash at the bear and gave him a tremendous dig with his horns, causing the bear to utter a loud roar. The bear clawed the bull about the head for a second or two, and then got away.

Turning, the bull made charge the second, which much resembled the first, but soon after the bull charged a third time upon the bear when he was in a corner, when Bruin for a short time made lively use of both teeth and claws, showing more fight than at any other time during the evening. The bear went out and got in another corner of the cage, when the bull approached him and stood looking at him, and pawing the ground for nearly ten minutes before he made another dash and jammed him against the side of the cage. The bear clawed a little, uttered a roar and slunk away to another corner. The bear was evidently afraid of the bull from the moment he first caught sight of him. From this time forward it was necessary to stir the animals up to get them together, when there would be a rush by the bull and a roar or two by the bear, and the round was ended. Persons got upon the roof of the den and poured blood upon the bull, who stood pawing and gazing upon the bear. A red cloth was fastened to a pole and waved about the bear, but both animals stubbornly kept the peace. Driven from the rear corner of the cage, Bruin posted himself in front and laid down. He was punched with sticks, whipped with foils and prodded with iron bars, but all this only caused him to roar and strike at those who were tormenting him. Some one now got upon the roof of the den, in obedience to the clamorous cries of a hundred to "stir up the bull," and with a pole stirred him up.

Upon being "stirred up," instead of darting upon the bear, the bull made a dash upon the bars forming the front of the cage, causing the whole fabric to shake, and bending one of the large bars until quite a gap was made. Instantly there was a grand stampede among those seated in the parquette—even in the dress circle many rose to their feet, and some prepared to leave. At the bull drew back his head the man standing on that side of the cage fired at him with a Henry rifle. The shot produced no visible effect so far as the bull was concerned, but added greatly to the terror of those in the lower part of the house. It seems that the ball struck one of the iron bars in front of the cage and split it, a piece of it striking Mr. J. P. SMITH, who was stationed on the opposite side of the den with a Henry rifle, but not hurting him. After this the bull was let alone, and the business of stirring up confined to the bear, who stood it well. It seemed impossible to get the bear upon his feet, and CHARLEY PALMER, chief engineer of the show, came forward and said that the bull had whipped; that the bear was about dead, and could fight no more. An immense hooting followed. All was a confused uproar of voices—some crying one thing and some another. About all that could be undetstood was that the "many-headed monster" was fearfully angry and awfully dissatisfied, and the fight must go on. The gas was now turned off, and many left the house, but the majority remained, there being a dim light, just sufficient to render the arena and the forms of the animals visible.

Chairs were thrown from the parquette and orchestra against the bars of the cage, and soon a rush was made for the stage by men carrying chairs and whatever else they could get hold of, which they thought might be used to good advantage in stirring up the animals. Soon over a hundred men were upon the stage, crowding against and beating upon the bars, regardless of either bull or bear. The lights were now turned completely out, but matches were lighted in all parts of the house by those who had them. And the crowd yelled fiercely for the house to be lighted. The gas was turned on, and CHARLEY PALMER came upon the stage. At first he was hissed and hooted, but he stood his ground, and was finally allowed to speak. He said he had done all he could to make the animals fight, and, if the audience thought they could do better, they could appoint a committee and go at it. He would pay for the gas, even though they wished to run the fight all night. Soon a sort of volunteer committee began operations.

A cry for fire-crackers was at once raised, and the cry was instantly answered by a big package being thrown upon the stage. The package was opened, and a man was about to light the lot, when the property man of the theater interfered, saying they would set the building on fire. Had the crackers gone into the den, the chances are that both bull and bear would have come out.

Poles armed with bayonets were now freely used upon both animals, and the crowd succeeded in getting about as many rounds out of the animals as they had seen before the exhibition, and being convinced that bull and bear fighting was no great shakes after all, they allowed the bear to go back into his den, and dispersed quite satisfied, which they never would have done had they not been allowed to tire themselves out with the animals. Our people have now seen a bull and bear fight, and we venture to say that they will never care to see another—prodding the animals to make them fight is a cruel business, and when seen the fight amounts to little.

Drowning of a Harvard Student.

Boston papers give the particulars of the drowning of JULIUS ADAMS, a member of the Sophomore Class of Harvard College, in the Charles River on Friday forenoon. He and a class-mate named CLAPP were bathing together, when suddenly he threw up his arms with a shriek for help, and suddenly sank near the middle of the stream. Mr. CLAPP immediately swam to his assistance, and succeeded in getting hold of him. He struggled so hard, however, that his companion was obliged to shake him off in order to save himself. The cries of the two men had meantime been heard by Mr. BLAKIE, the boat-builder, who ran down the float of the Harvard Boat-house and endeavored to unlock a boat which was moored there, but before he could accomplish this Mr. ADAMS had sunk for the last time. Every endeavor was made to recover his body, but it was not until after several hours' search that they were enabled to find it. It was lying about 150 feet below the place where he sank, whither it had been carried by the tide. During the search the mother of the lost man appeared upon the scene, almost crazed with grief, and was only restrained from throwing herself into the river by the firmness of Chief BRADFORD.

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FINANCIAL.

FIRST MORTGAGE
SINKING FUND
Land Grant Bonds
OF THE
ST. JOSEPH AND DENVER CITY
RAILROAD COMPANY,
WESTERN DIVISION.

These Bonds can now be had from the undersigned, or through the principal banks and bankers of the United States.
They have thirty (30) years to run, bearing Eight per Cent. (8 per cent.) Interest, payable on the 15th days of August and February in each year. The Principal and Interest are payable in *Gold*. The Principal in New-York; the Interest in New-York, London and Frankfort-on-Main, free of tax. They are Coupon Bonds, but can be registered or converted into Registered Bonds, and are receivable at par and accrued interest in payment for the Company's land sales. The payment of the principal and interest is secured by a first and only mortgage on the Company's Lands, granted by the United States in 1868, lying on the line of this road, and amounting to 1,500,000 acres, the railway of the Western Division, extending from Marysville, Kansas, to a junction with Union Pacific Road at Fort Kearney, a distance of 170 miles, together with the Equipments appertaining, Franchises, Rights of Way and Personal Property.
The mortgage is made to the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of New-York, as Trustees.
The Bondholders are amply protected by the terms of the Mortgage Deed, which prohibits a sale of the Company's lands at less than four ($4) dollars per acre, and a release of the lien of this Mortgage upon any portion sold until the purchase-money is paid to the Trustees, who are authorized to apply the same to the payment of these Bonds, either by purchase or to the Sinking Fund, for their redemption at maturity. This will more than extinguish the debt and leave the railway and equipments free. The security for the payment of these Bonds is therefore beyond all contingency.
Holders of 5-20s, and especially those who do not desire to be paid off by the Treasury Department, can now exchange their Governments for these Bonds at a *good and substantial profit.*
The location of the line of the St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad is a commanding one, from the fact that it is a practical extension westwardly of the Hannibal and St. Joseph, the next Land Grant road after the Illinois Central. The St. Joseph and Denver City Railroad is fed at its eastern terminus (St. Joseph) by railway lines coming direct from Hannibal, St. Louis, Chicago, and local roads converging at St. Joseph. Its business is therefore secured. Its connection with the Union Pacific Road opens up the through middle route across the Continent, and is of national importance. This is reflected in the fact that the quantities of letters and telegrams which we have received during the few days the Bonds have been for sale, applying for these securities, indicate the quick response of the American people in support of internal improvements, while at the same time they make a good investment.
Price for the present, 97½ and accrued interest in currency.
Circulars, maps, pamphlets, documents, &c., furnished upon application.
Expressage relating to the Bonds free. Marketable Securities received in exchange.
We have been at great expense in the examination of this property and the bonds and mortgage, and are satisfied the investments in this Loan will not only be safe but profitable. We base our calculations on the fact that the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company, on the Eastern Division, lately successfully placed by our firm at 97½, have advanced to 102 and accrued interest, making them rule at 106, or nearly ten per cent. advance.
Under all circumstances, we unhesitatingly recommend them.

TANNER & CO.,
Bankers,
NO. 11 WALL-ST.

FIRST-CLASS
CITY AND COUNTY BONDS,
PAYING FROM
10 TO 12 PER CENT.,
FREE OF ALL TAXES.
INTEREST COUPONS PROMPTLY PAID SEMI-ANNUALLY IN NEW-YORK.
CHOICE SECURITIES OF UNDOUBTED CHARACTER BELOW PAR.

CASH VALUATION OF PROPERTY.....$45,719,817
WHOLE INDEBTEDNESS, (LIMITED,) ONLY.....892,000

GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES
RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE AT THE BEST RATES, AND BONDS PURCHASED BY OUT-OF-TOWN RESIDENTS SENT BY EXPRESS FREE OF CHARGE.
TRUSTEES, EXECUTORS OF ESTATES, CAPITALISTS, AND OTHERS SEEKING RELIABLE INVESTMENTS, ARE PURCHASING THESE LOANS.
ALSO, AN EXTENSIVE VARIETY OF OTHER SECURITIES FOR SAFE AND PROFITABLE INVESTMENTS AT LOW RATES, FOR SALE BY
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also,
New-York and Boston Railroad Company First Mortgage Seven Per Cent. Gold Bonds,
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BROWN BROTHERS & CO.
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issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD OFFICE, LAND DEPARTMENT,
SEARS' BUILDING, BOSTON, Aug. 3, 1871.
SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED until noon THURSDAY, Aug. 17, for the sale of $60,000 of the land bonds of said Company to the undersigned Trustees, in accordance with the provisions of the indenture of April, 1867.
The bids will be opened Friday, Aug. 18, and accepted bids declared.
JOHN DUFF, M. McCORMICK, } Trustees.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Aug. 8, 1871.
A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of this Company will be held at its office in Chicago, on the 26th day of November, 1871, at 12 o'clock noon. By order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN NEWELL, President.

FINANCIAL.

PROPOSALS
FOR THE
WATER LOAN
OF THE
CITY OF PROVIDENCE.
INTEREST
IN GOLD,
AT
FIVE OR SIX PER CENT.,
AS MAY BE DECIDED.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE PROPOSES TO ISSUE ITS
BONDS PAYABLE IN GOLD
on the 1st day of July, in the year Nineteen Hundred, (1900,) for FOUR MILLIONS OF DOLLARS of, the purpose of defraying the expense of introducing water into said city.
INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD.
Coupons, payable in Gold, July 1 and Jan. 1, will be attached to the bonds for the interest thereon, or the bonds may be registered under existing law and the interest payable in gold, on said dates.
AUTHORITY FOR ISSUE.
The bonds are issued under authority given by the General Assembly of Rhode Island, and an ordinance passed by the City Council of Providence.
SECURITY.
Their payment is guaranteed by a lien—first, upon all the real estate or personal property owned by the city, and, secondly, upon all the real estate of the citizens of said city.
The income derived from the use of the water is also pledged to the payment of the bonds and the interest thereon.
FINANCIAL CONDITION OF CITY.
The financial condition of the city on the 1st day of July inst. was as follows:

Taxable valuation of real estate	$63,515,713 00
Taxable valuation of the personal estate, 1870	40,565,100 00
Total taxable property	$104,080,813 00
Property exempted from taxation, owned by the city, institutions, &c., but held for the Water loan	$5,481,662 00
Total value	$109,562,475 60

CITY DEBT.
The funded debt of the city is as follows:
1st. A loan to the Hartford, Providence and Fishkill Railroad Company, due Jan. 1, 1876 $500,000 00
To meet this the city holds the same amount of the bonds of said railroad secured by a first mortgage upon the road in Rhode Island, and also funds in the hands of the Trustees of the Sinking Fund of this loan amounting to $114,684 07.
2d. A loan issued in 1855 for public improvements of various kinds made prior to that date, payable Sept. 1, 1885, for $600,000 00
To meet this the Trustees of this Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amounting to $28",478 34.
In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city, of $10,000.
3d. A loan issued in 1863 for expenses growing out of the enlistment of soldiers, payment of bounties, &c., payable Jan. 1, 1893, for $300,000 00
To meet this the Trustees of this Sinking Fund have in their hands securities amountinz to $90,242 21.
In addition to which there is an annual payment to this fund by the city of $5,000.
4th. The floating debt incurred for public works, such as opening streets, erecting public buildings and introducing the water for which it is proposed to issue these bonds, amounring to $1,560,000 00
Of this sum the Water Commissioners have drawn.....$1,000,000
There is cash on hand..... 325,000 —1,325,000 00
Leaving the actual floating debt, say.... 235,000 00

An examination of the above statement shows that the funded debt of the city is more than provided for, as the several sinking funds, with their collaterals, are sufficient, without the additional annual payments from the Treasury, to pay their respective loans at maturity.
The amount of the floating debt above what will be repaid from the sale of the water bonds is so small as to make it safe to say that the City of Providence' with a valuation of $109,562,475, has no debt.
POPULATION.
The population of the city by the census of 1870 was 68,906, and is increasing more rapidly than at any previous period of her history, and there has been expended within the past seven years by the city for permanent public improvements more than $1,000,000.
With the above facts, the Water Loan of the City of Providence may be placed in the first class of securities, and is beyond a question.
CHARACTER OF PROPOSALS.
"The Committee of the City Council of the City of Providence on the City Debt" invite proposals for any portion of four millions of dollars of the Water Loan of said city, to be issued as per the annexed circular. Said proposals to be indorsed "Proposals for Water Loan," and to be transmitted sealed to Benjamin Tripp, City Treasurer of Providence, on or before 12 o'clock M., THURSDAY, the 24th day of August, 1871.
The proposals to be in the form hereunto annexed. Upon opening them the Committee will decide whether the loan shall be a five or six per cent. loan, and unless otherwise arranged, it will be payable at the City Treasurer's office in the City of Providence. The Committee reserve the right also to reject any or all of the bids at their discretion. The loan will be issued within sixty days from the opening of the proposals, and notice of the acceptance of any proposition will be transmitted at once to the party. The bonds are partly engraved and may be issued sooner than the above time if the labor on them can be completed. Interest from the 1st day of July to the date of issue, to be paid by the purchasers in currency at the rate of 1.10 for gold.
THOMAS A. DOYLE, Mayor, AMOS M. SNOW, NELSON W. ALDRICH, STEPHEN WATERMAN, WILLIAM BINNEY, } Committee.
PROVIDENCE, July 24, 1871.
FORM OF PROPOSAL.
The undersigned will take —— dollars of the Water Loan of the City of Providence, at the rate of —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars of said sum. The bonds to be issued in sums of one thousand dollars each, and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, or —— will take —— dollars of the same loan issued in similar manner, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and pay —— dollars in currency for each one hundred dollars thereof.
The bonds to be coupon or registered.

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Geo. Opdyke & Co
25 NASSAU ST CORNER OF CEDAR ST.
FOUR PER CENT. interest allowed on current accounts, subject to check at sight.
PRIME INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.
INVESTMENT ORDERS promptly executed for Governments, Gold, Bonds and other Securities.
COLLECTIONS WANTED ON CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.

SAFE INVESTMENTS.
Illinois Registered 10 per cent. Bonds.
Missouri County 10 per cent. Bonds.
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Kansas School 10 per cent. Bonds.
Also, other choice 8 and 10 per cent. securities, payable in this City.
For sale below par by
FITCH & ELLIS, Bankers, No. 11 Pine-st.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,
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Issue Circular Letters of Credit for Travelers, and Draw Bills on
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$150,000 IN RAILROAD BONDS
will be received in payment for valuable real estate in Brooklyn. Apply to
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FINANCIAL.

Montclair Railway
OF
NEW-JERSEY,
(NOW NEARLY COMPLETED,)
7 PER CENT
FIRST MORTGAGE
GOLD BONDS,
INDORSED BY THE N. Y. & O. MIDLAND CO.,
MAY BE HAD BY APPLICATION TO
LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER,
NO. 10 WALL-ST.,
AND THE
MONTCLAIR RAILWAY CO.,
NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.

ROBINSON, CHASE & CO.,
NO. 18 BROAD-ST.,
OFFER FOR SALE THE BALANCE OF THE
CONSOLIDATED MORTGAGE Sinking Fund Bonds
OF THE
LAKE SHORE
AND
MICHIGAN SOUTHERN
RAILWAY COMPANY.

COUPON BONDS—In denominations of $1,000, convertible into Registered at maturity of each coupon. Interest 7 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, January and July.
REGISTERED BONDS—In denominations of $1,000, $5,000, and $10,000, (without coupons,) in form similar to United States Registered Bonds, transferable on the books of the company and issued anew to the holder. Interest 7 per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, January, April, July, and October.
The merit of this security and the peculiar advantages possessed by the Registered Bonds in the quarterly payment of interest, and full PROTECTION against LOSS by FIRE, THEFT, or like exigencies, commend it favorably to all careful and judicious investors, and we cordially recommend it as the most desirable investment in the market.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY.
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
Nos. 261 AND 263 BROADWAY, CORNER OF WARREN-ST,
Capital, - - - - - $1,000,000.
Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposit, Subject to Check at Sight.
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The Company is a Legal Depository for Moneys Paid into Court.
D. R. MANGAM, President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

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DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION
RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

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(*The same as an Incorporated Bank,*)
NO. 30 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,
Have unusual facilities for making Collections on any part of the Union or Canada, with immediate Returns, at the very lowest Current Rates.
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NEWARK, SOMERSET & STRAITSVILLE R. R. CO. OF OHIO.
First Mortgage 7 Per Cent.
GOLD BONDS.
This Road is now in successful operation, connecting with the Baltimore and Ohio and the Pennsylvania Central Railroads, thereby giving an outlet to the vast Coal and Iron Mines belonging to the said Company. For sale at 90 and interest by
VERMILYE & CO.,
Nos. 16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company
7 Per Cent.
GOLD BONDS.
Secured by a first mortgage on Road and by a first mortgage on a grant of **one million one hundred and sixty thousand acres** of the most valuable **Lumber Lands in Michigan**, free of tax. Coupon or registered. A first-class investment. For sale by
WINSLOW, LANIER & CO., No. 27 Pine-st., New-York.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER FOR SALE $300,000
JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI BONDS,
INTEREST AT THE RATE OF
EIGHT PER CENT.
Per annum, payable 1st of February and 1st of August.
TOTAL DEBT of the County, including these Bonds, is less than $375.000
Assessed valuation of property in 1870 was over.....$16.000.000
Price 90 and accrued interest.
Further information furnished on application to
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ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE Scrip of all issues wanted by WM. C. GILMAN, No. 46 Pine-st., corner William-st.

INSURANCE STOCKS AND SCRIPS wanted by E. S. BAILEY, No. 66 Wall-st.

FINANCIAL.

TURNER BROTHERS,
M. C. Turner, T. C. Turner, J. Turner, R. Turner, } BANKERS, { A. Turner, G. M. Turner, J. S. Decker.
No. 14 Nassau-st, N. Y.,
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Desirable investment securities for sale.

SITUATIONS WANTED.
FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GOOD plain cook; is willing to do some washing and ironing in a private family; is a good washer; can give best of City reference. Call at No. 122 West 23d-st., near 6th-av., at her present employer's, for two days.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS NURSE AND seamstress, or chamber-maid and seamstress, by a neat maid and seamstress, by a Protestant young woman, and fully competent to fill either situation; very best City testimonials; country or City. Call at No. 336 4th-av.
WANTED—A LAUNDRESS', OR CHAMBER-maid and laundress', or fine washing situation, by a very respectable young woman; is an excellent laundress; understands French fluting, and all kinds of fine work. Call at No. 335 4th-av.
WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS FRENCH dress-maker, a situation to go out by the day; cuts, fits, a first-class operator, and has unexceptionable references; terms very moderate; does all kinds of family sewing. Address No. 590 6th-av.
WANTED—BY A VERY RESPECTABLE young Protestant girl, a situation as chamber-maid and waitress, or taking care of children and sewing, or make herself useful; country or City. Call at No. 335 4th-av.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS laundress in a private family; understands fluting, and can do up linens, &c., in superior style; best City reference. Call or address No. 223 East 46th-st., fourth floor.
WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE MIDDLE-aged Protestant woman, a situation as lady's maid, or care of an invalid lady, or go as nurse; can do dress-making and plain sewing. Apply at No. 138 West 11th-st., corner of 6th-av.
FAMILIES IN CITY OR COUNTRY wanting first-class help, of all nationalities, in any capacity, can be suited immediately at No. 138 6th-av., over drug-store.
WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS PROTESTANT cook, a situation in a private family; the best of reference; country preferred. Can be seen for two days at No. 349 East 23d-st.
WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION BY A colored woman; is a first-class cook; country or City; will make herself useful; good testimonials. Apply at No. 335 4th-av.
EMPLOYERS IN CITY OR COUNTRY supplied with servants of all nations, both Protestant and Catholic, by CARPENTER, No. 138 West 11th-st., corner 6th-av
AS HOTEL-HOUSEKEEPER—AN active Englishwoman accustomed to the duties; is well recommended. Call or address No. 147 Cedar-st.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY A SWEDISH girl in a private family, to make herself generally useful. Apply at No. 186 Avenue A, of C. SYREEN.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN AMERICAN girl as nurse; can take the entire charge of a baby; best of reference. Apply at 124 West 18th-st.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman to do chamber-work or sewing; good reference from last place. Call at No. 563 3d-av.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY A THOROUGHLY competent woman as first-class cook; understands meats, soups, pastries, desserts, &c.; an excellent baker; will assist with the washing; no objection to the country; unobjectionable references. Call or address No. 206 East 26th-st., near 3d-av.
WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as child's nurse; can be trusted; or will assist in chamber-work; good reference. Call at last employer's, No. 321 West 22d-st.
WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL lately landed, a situation to do general housework in a private family. Call at No. 23 West 22d-st., between 5th and 6th avs., rear.
WANTED—BY A GOOD GERMAN GIRL, A situation to do general housework; is willing and obliging. Call at No. 127 Norfolk-st., at MR. HILDE'S.

MALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A SINGLE man; is a good vegetable gardener; understands the care of horses, carriages, and is a good driver; can milk; willing to be generally useful; has good City reference. Address C. S., Box No. 197 *Times* Office.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN INDUSTRIOUS and willing man on a gentleman's place; understands the care of horses, driving, plain gardening and milking; is strictly temperate, and not afraid of work; will go for moderate wages; best of references. Apply or address No. 42 Court-st., Brooklyn.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY A SINGLE young man as coachman and gardener; thoroughly understands his business; is a good City driver; best City references. Address, for two days, C. Y., Box No. 214 *Times* Office.
WANTED—BY A YOUNG MAN (SWISS) A situation as gardener; he understands the care of horses and cows; is willing and obliging; good references. Call or address No. 309 Broome-st., near Forsyth-st.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS GARDENER by a single man capable of taking care of a gentleman's place; greenhouses, hot and cold graperies, fruit, flowers, &c.; vegetable gardening, &c. Address M. D., Box No. 199 *Times* Office.
WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS ENGLISH waiter, single, a situation in a private family; has good City references; no objection to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 215 West 35th-st., or No. 334 6th-av. J. E., waiter.
WANTED—BY A GERMAN, A SITUATION as useful man; good driver, gardener, or any work about a house; care of horses, cows, &c.; best testimonials; country or City. Call at No. 335 4th-av.
WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG Englishman, a situation as coachman; thoroughly understands his business; first-class reference. Address E. G., Box 111 Post-office, Morrisania, N. Y.
WANTED—A COACHMAN'S SITUATION by a reliable and experienced middle-aged man; best of City reference; has no objection to the country. Address M. S., Box No. 202 *Times* Office.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS USEFUL man on a gentleman's or farmer's place, by a strong, willing young man; thoroughly understands the care of horses, plain gardening, and milking; willing to make himself useful and not afraid of work; will go for moderate wages and has the best references. Apply or address at 42 Court-st., Brooklyn.
WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTestant young man, a situation as coachman; good groom and first-class driver; has thorough knowledge of the business, sober and obliging; best City references. Call or address O. MILLS, at private stable, No. 6 East 18th-st.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS BARtender or to drive a liquor-wagon by a respectable young man, who has been in the business, and can command a good trade; good references. Apply at No. 138 West 11th-st., corner 6th-av.
WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITER IN a private family by a Protestant young man; is a first-class servant. Address HENRY MIDDLETON, No. 52 Prince-st.
WANTED—A SITUATION BY A MARRIED German man as landscape gardener, or take charge of a country place; best of references given. Call at No. 84 Ridge-st., second floor.

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THE FILTHY STREETS.

Results of the Recent Police Inspection.

Cleanliness the Exception Not the Rule.

Hundreds of Thoroughfares Extremely Filthy—The Board of Health at Last Aroused—Important Report of the City Sanitary Inspector.

The following is a synopsis of the reports made by the several Police Captains of the results of the inspection made on Saturday between 1 and 6 o'clock P. M., of the condition of the streets throughout the City. It will be seen that in very few places is the City in good sanitary condition, and in very many portions it is fouler than it ever was before.

FIRST PRECINCT.—Streets generally reported clean. Stagnant water in front of No. 146 Wall, Nos. 16 and 36 South William, No. 21 Pearl. Garbage in front of No. 92 Pearl, No. 22 Stone, No. 1 Marketfield. Pearl, between Whitehall and State, filthy.

SECOND PRECINCT.—Streets, lanes and alleyways generally clean and in good condition. Capt. LANG calls attention to the filthy condition of Fulton Market and its surroundings, with South-street from Peck-slip to Burling-slip.

THIRD PRECINCT.—The streets in good sanitary condition are Fulton, Greenwich, Barclay, Chambers, Duane, College-place, Hudson, West Broadway, (to Duane,) West, Bishop-lane. The streets which are filthy, or have stagnant water in them, are Vesey, Murray, Robinson, Church, Washington Park. Attention is called to the pile of oyster shells at the corner of Fulton and West streets.

Washington Market is not mentioned.

FOURTH PRECINCT.—The following streets are in bad sanitary condition, having sunken gutters with standing water: Batavia, Cherry, Jeffries, Frankfort, James, Madison, Oliver, Roosevelt, South, and Water. The streets reported in good sanitary condition are Chatham, Catharine, Chestnut, Dover, Duane, Front, Ferry, Gold, Henry, James Slip, Jacob, Nassau, New-Bowery, North William, New-Chambers, Pearl, Rose, Spruce, Vandewater, and William. No garbage is reported in the streets.

FIFTH PRECINCT.—There was stagnant water in front of seventy-two houses in the following streets: West Broadway, Hudson, Greenwich, Washington, West, Staple, Collister, Franklin, Duane, Thomas, White, Walker, Lispenard, York, Saint John Lane. Collister and Caroline streets were found to be generally in very filthy condition. The remaining streets in the Precinct in good order.

SIXTH PRECINCT.—The following streets and lanes were very filthy: Donovans-lane, New Worth and Leonard streets. Garbage and stagnant water were found in some places in streets rated as generally in good condition. The following streets were named as greatly in need of repairs: Byard, Mulberry, Mott, Baxter, New Worth, Elm, with portions of Leonard, Centre and City Hall-place.

SEVENTH PRECINCT.—There was stagnant water in Division, Madison, Monroe, Water, South and Clinton streets. Division was generally filthy, as was East Broadway between Market and Catharine, Henry, from Pike to Catharine, Bermingham, Madison, from Rutgers to Catharine, Monroe, Hamilton, Cherry, Mechanics Alley, Pelham, Pike slip and Rutgers slip.

EIGHTH PRECINCT.—Portions of Bleecker, Grand, Greene, West Houston, Prince, Spring, Sullivan, Thompson, Wooster, Canal, Clark, and South Fifth-avenue were filthy and there were accumulations of garbage and ashes in front of many of the houses, and in many places the gutters were choked.

NINTH PRECINCT.—Gansevoort-street is filthy; there is stagnant water in West Fourth-street, Greenwich-avenue, Seventh-avenue, Tenth-avenue, Hudson, Perry, West, West Tenth and Washington streets; and Waverley-place. (Little Twelfth-street,) is in an exceedingly filthy condition, with a large pond of water at West-street, with a green surface, and has long been a nuisance.

TENTH PRECINCT.—General condition of Christie-street very bad; has been so for months. Between Allen, Essex, Diving-wood bad. In this Precinct the greater part of the streets were in good condition, and ashes and garbage generally removed. Several of the streets reported in good general condition had a few pools of stagnant water.

ELEVENTH PRECINCT.—The filthy streets were Ridge, Clinton, Pitt, Willett, Sheriff, Rivington, Stanton, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth. Generally the streets were in very bad condition, the pavements broken, causing stagnant water in many places.

TWELFTH PRECINCT.—There was stagnant water in One hundred and Twenty-ninth-street and Third-avenue, One Hundred and Tenth-street and Second-avenue, One Hundred and Sixteenth-street and Third-avenue, One Hundred and Twelfth-street and Fourth-avenue. One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street and Fourth-avenue, One Hundred and Fourteenth-street, between First and Second avenues, and in front of Nos. 323 and 325 East One Hundred and Fifteenth-street. The general condition of the streets in the precinct is good.

THIRTEENTH PRECINCT.—The streets found to be filthy in places were Norfolk, Suffolk, Clinton, Ridge, Pitt, Willett, Sheriff, Columbia, Canton, Lewis, Goerck, Mangin, Tompkins, East Rivington, Delancey, Broome, Hester, Division, Madison, Monroe, Cherry, Water, Front, Scammel, Jackson and Corlear. The only clean streets in the precinct were South, Grand and East Broadway.

FOURTEENTH PRECINCT.—Stagnant water in Baxter-street, from No. 111 to No. 119; Bleecker, from No. 2 to No. 68; Bowery, No. 252; Broome, No. 371 to No. 394; Canal, from Bowery to Broadway; Centre, Canal to Broome and Crosby; East Houston, Broadway to Bowery; Elizabeth, Elm, Grand, Hester, Howard, Jersey, Marion, Mott, Mulberry, Prince and Spring. In these streets there was stagnant water in front of 374 houses. In the same streets, excepting Bowery, Broome, Centre, Centre Market-place, Howard and Jersey, there was garbage lying in front of seventy-eight houses. Baxter, Crosby, East Houston, Jersey, Mott and Mulberry were generally unclean, and there was a large number of defective sewers in all parts of the Precinct.

FIFTEENTH PRECINCT.—All the thoroughfares are reported in good condition, except Fourth, Eighth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Bleecker, Fourth-avenue, Mercer, Greene, Wooster and Macdougal streets, in all of which there was standing water or defective gutters.

SIXTEENTH PRECINCT.—The following streets were filthy: Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Twenty-sixth. Those in middling condition were Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-seventh. There was little garbage or stagnant water in the Precinct, and a number of streets were found very clean.

SEVENTEENTH PRECINCT.—The filthy streets were Fifth, Eleventh and Thirteenth, from Second-avenue to Avenue B, as also Extra-place, an alley; First-avenue and Avenue A, from Houston to Fourteenth-street; Houston, from Bowery to Avenue B; First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth, from Second-avenue to Avenue B; Sixth-street, from Avenue B to First-avenue; Twelfth-street, from First-avenue to Avenue B; and Fourteenth-street, from First-avenue to Avenue B, were all in bad condition from stagnant water, bad gutters and garbage.

EIGHTEENTH PRECINCT.—First-avenue, Avenues A, B, C and D are filthy with stagnant water. All the cross-streets from Fourteenth to Twenty-seventh, in the greater part of their surface, are filthy with stagnant water. The only streets in good condition are Fourth-street, Lexington, Third, and Second avenues; Irving, Rutherford, Livingston, and Gramercy places, and Broadway-alley.

NINETEENTH PRECINCT.—Portions of Fifth, Second, Fourth, Madison and Lexington avenues were in bad condition from standing water. Ashes and garbage were found in Forty-eighth, Fifty-second, Sixteenth, Seventy-third, Forty-sixth, Sixty-first, Seventy-seventh, Sixty-fourth, Sixty-fifth, fifty-seventh, Fifty-ninth and Forty-fourth streets; and there were a large number of defective gutters.

TWENTIETH PRECINCT.—The streets named as in bad condition as to garbage or stagnant water were Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fifth, Forty-first, Ninth-avenue, Tenth-avenue, and an alley out of Thirty-third-street. In all of these, and in the few streets rated as fair, the gutters were defective in places.

TWENTY-FIRST PRECINCT.—Third-avenue gutters foul, First-avenue, from Thirty-sixth to Forty-second-street, filthy; portions of Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, Thirty-third, Thirty-fourth, Thirty-sixth, Thirty-eighth streets were filthy, and some of them in places exceedingly so. In these and some of the streets rated as in passable order, there were a great many houses in front of which were ashes, garbage, or stagnant water.

TWENTY-SECOND PRECINCT.—The streets in bad condition from defective pavements or gutters were Forty-third, Forty-second, Forty-eighth, Fifty-second, Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, west of Eighth-avenue; Broadway, Tenth-avenue, Eleventh-avenue, and many places in these streets were exceedingly filthy from stagnant water, ashes and garbage.

TWENTY-THIRD PRECINCT.—In good condition, except as follows: Garbage in gutter, Eighty-fourth-street and Avenue B. Stagnant water, Ninetieth-street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues; Ninety-first-street, between Fourth and Madison avenues; Ninety-second-street, at First-avenue; One Hundred and Fourth-street, between Second and Third avenues; One Hundred and Sixth-street, between Second and Third avenues; One Hundred and Tenth-street, between Second and Third avenues.

The Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, and Twenty-sixth Precincts do not cover actual territory.

TWENTY-SEVENTH PRECINCT.—Carlisle, Fulton, Greenwich, Morris, Thames and Washington, within the boundaries of this precinct, were in a very filthy condition from garbage and stagnant water. Thames and Carlisle were especially dangerous to public health from these causes.

TWENTY-EIGHTH PRECINCT.—Stagnant water in front of Nos. 318 and 338 West, No. 171 Downing, Nos. 1 and 3 Clarke; in gutters in front of from No. 8 to No. 28 Sullivan, in Bedford from Commerce to Barrow. There was garbage in gutters in Varick-street from No. 161 to No. 229, and in King from No. 49 to No. 121. The foul streets were Spring, from Hudson to Varick; Clark, from Broome to Spring; Hudson, from No. 340 to No. 435; Charlton, from No. 85 to No. 103; Clarkson, from No. 14 to No. 39, and Houston (west) from No. 226 to No. 300. The gutters were clean except in portions of Canal, Sullivan and Clarke streets.

TWENTY-EIGHTH PRECINCT.—The filthy streets are Seventeenth, from Sixth to Seventh avenues; Eighteenth-street, from Broadway to Sixth-avenue; Nineteenth, Twenty-fourth, Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirty-first, Thirty-third, Thirty-fifth and Forty-first streets, between Sixth and Seventh avenues. Portions of Fourth, Sixth and Seventh avenues, between Fourteenth and Forty-second streets were filthy, and there was standing water in front of but few houses, the gutters in many places were in bad condition, and the garbage had not been removed in some cases. The only thoroughly clean street, in good condition, was Fifth-avenue.

THIRTIETH PRECINCT.—The streets in bad sanitary condition from stagnant water are parts of Tenth-avenue, Twelfth-avenue, Broadway, Manhattan and Lawrence. A running stream leaves One Hundred and Thirty-first-street and Broadway in bad condition; One Hundred and Eleventh-street, between Broadway and Eleventh-avenue, in bad order, and there are filthy alleys at Nos. 10 and 44 One Hundred and Tenth-street. Standing water all along the Boulevard from One Hundred and Fifteenth-street to One Hundred and Twenty-fourth-street.

THIRTY-FIRST PRECINCT.—There is stagnant water in Sixty-seventh-street, near Eleventh-avenue; Sixty-eighth-street, corner Boulevard; Seventy-first-street, between Ninth and Tenth-avenues; Seventieth-street, at Tenth-avenue and Boulevard; Eightieth-street and Eleventh-avenue, Eighty-second-street and Boulevard; Eighty-third-street and Ninth-avenue, Ninetieth-street and Broadway, One Hundredth-street and Ninth-avenue, One Hundred and Tenth-street, from Tenth to Eleventh avenues, and Seventieth-street, at Ninth-avenue, are reported in a very filthy condition.

THIRTY-SECOND PRECINCT.—Foul stables are reported in One Hundred and Twenty-seventh-street; hog-pens in like condition in One Hundred and Twenty-seventh. One Hundred and Eighty-first and One Hundred and Forty-eighth. The following streets are in bad sanitary condition from garbage or stagnant water: One Hundred and Twenty-fifth, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth, One Hundred and Fiftieth, One Hundred and Sixtieth, One Hundred and Forty-second, One Hundred and Forty-third, One Hundred and Seventy-fifth, One Hundred and Sixty-first, One Hundred and Sixty-fifth, Kingsbridge road and Eighth-avenue. Special mention is made of One Hundred and Fifty-seventh-street, near Tenth-avenue, where there are hog-pens, stagnant water, garbage and the contents from the sinks of houses in Tenth-avenue.

These reports were presented at a meeting of the Board of Health, held yesterday afternoon, and were referred to the Sanitary Committee. At the same session, Dr. MORRIS, City Sanitary Inspector, presented a lengthy report on the same subject, presenting the same facts, in substance, and ending with a recommendation that the Board of Police be requested to enforce the provisions of the Sanitary code for the attainment of cleanliness and good condition in the public thoroughfares. It was also recommended that a number of streets be cleaned oftener than required by the code of contract, and both of these recommendations were adopted. Also, a list of streets needing repairs was submitted, and referred to the Department of Public Works. The following is the report of Dr. MORRIS:

BUREAU OF SANITARY INSPECTION,
HEALTH DEPARTMENT, NO. 301 MOTT-STREET,
NEW-YORK, Aug. 12, 1871.

To the Board of Health of the Health Department:

GENTLEMEN: During the past week the Bureau of Sanitary Inspection was directed by the Sanitary Committee of your Board to examine and make official reports upon the sanitary condition of the streets, lanes and alleys and public places within the City. First—With reference to their cleanliness. Second—As to the condition of the pavements. Third—Whether paved or not, and also to make the usual combinations for orders on such places as are found in filthy conditions, belonging to private parties. Based upon these reports, and from personal observation, I beg leave to present the following report:

The sanitary necessity required to keep and promote conditions of public health, exacts constant efforts on the part of sanitary officers. Preventable causes affecting public health should be controlled, unpreventable causes rapidly removed or destroyed. To accomplish these ends, I beg leave to present the following facts and suggestions: First in importance is the cleanliness of public streets, gutters and places. With a high temperature, vegetable and animal decomposition and putrefaction are some of the most fertile factors affecting public health. Non-enforcement of sanitary ordinances by Police authority, allowing the throwing of garbage and house refuse of all kinds into the public streets, is one of the most fruitful sources of unhealthy conditions. Streets and gutters thoroughly cleaned of all filth in the morning, are found again in filthy conditions at evening, and, upon inspection, this accumulation is found to be composed principally of house refuse and garbage. This is a preventable condition. Daily cleaning and thorough disinfection will remove and destroy its bad effects, and prevent its becoming a source of disease. Diarrhœa, cholera morbus, sporadic cholera and with certain other factors when present. Cholera, typhoid fever, and possibly other diseases, are direct results of filthy, neglected streets, gutters and premises. Decomposition immediately and rapidly progresses under the influence of heat and moisture, and in such streets and gutters where this refuse garbage is thrown, mephitic odors are being constantly eliminated. In the densely populated districts, as in the Seventh, Eighth, Eleventh, Fourteenth, eastern portions of Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Twenty-first, western portions of Sixteenth, Twentieth, Fifth, Eighth and Ninth Wards, and about Washington Fulton and Catharine Markets, these offensive conditions are constant. 2. Street Pavements.—It is found that where the streets are paved with the old cobble-stone, as a general rule there are numerous pools of stagnant water, caused by holes and uneven surfaces, which have supervened upon neglected repairs. In the Seventh Ward, portions of Fourth, Fourteenth, Sixteenth, Twentieth and Twenty-second Warda, these conditions are very bad. It is impossible to clean or keep properly cleaned such streets, or keep them in a good sanitary condition. No amount of cleaning will keep deep holes dry, it being impossible to take up the water by any present appliances. The rain-fall fills them, to be evaporated by the sun's rays; and at the same time offensive emanations are thrown off by the constant stirring of passing vehicles. Such marked improvements and evidently better sanitary conditions follow the removal of cobble-stone pavements when substituted by the smooth Belgian, which presents a smooth, uniform surface, that strongly urges this sanitary improvement, and therefore it is urgently recommended that the latter pavement, or one equally uniform, be substituted for the former as rapidly as possible. 3. Disinfection.—In view of the immediate danger from the present condition of the streets and gutters, as enumerated in the accompanying list, in certain sections of the City, and around markets, and of the great expense attending the constant daily cleaning, a thorough daily disinfection should be performed. This measure would arrest decomposition and fermentation until such time as the accumulations could be removed. 4. Police authority and control.—This most important adjunct should by no means be neglected. Were the sections of the Sanitary Code referring to the matters of throwing garbage and other filth into the public streets aforesaid, much of this evil could be remedied. The constant presence of the Police patrol in the streets, if these violations were followed by arrest, would soon put a stop to these filthy practices. It is unnecessary to dilate upon these causes of ill health. They are patent to all. The result, in an increased mortality by diarrhœal diseases, are but too evident. In view of these facts, such measures for prevention are therefore recommended as will result in removing causes affecting the public health. Piers and bulkheads.—The piers of the City are, as at present reported, in a very fair condition of cleanliness. The entrances thereto, particularly those of the east side, are not properly graded, paved or drained, giving rise to collections of mud and filth, which could be entirely prevented by proper paving and grading. The bulkheads on the east side of the City are also mostly not paved or graded, and are full of holes and depressions, in which water and filth collect. Specific complaints have been made by the Health Inspectors against these defects in pavement and cleanliness of pier entrances and bulkheads. 5. Markets.—The sanitary condition of Washington and West Washington Markets, also Fulton, Catherine and other public markets, are well known, and although the Inspectors are constantly making complaints of their filthy condition, their reference to the proper authorities in control fails to afford the proper relief. The defects as observed by the Health Inspectors are: First, from original faulty construction; second, from overcrowding; third, from lack of proper sewerage, drainage and ventilation; fourth, from an almost total neglect to enforce the prompt and proper removal of garbage and other refuse matter. As at present managed, they are festering sinks of corruption and pollution, and a public disgrace to our City. First—It is recommended that such unpaved streets and avenues not enumerated in the street-cleaning contract of 1868, and those under the heading, "Streets needing daily and tri-weekly cleaning" be cleaned by special contract during the months of August and September, until the 15th of October, and in order to secure this much-needed end, it is respectfully suggested that the Inspector of the Street-cleaning Bureau be directed to request the Street-cleaning Commission (under whose sole jurisdiction this power has been delegated by the laws of 1870 and 1871) to have this necessary sanitary measure immediately commenced, and carried on during that time. Second—It is respectfully recommended that such streets and avenues as are indicated by the heading of "Streets needing repairing," be referred to the Department of Public Works, with the request that they be immediately repaved with Belgian or other equally good pavement, or where it is possible to put street pavement in good repair, that it be down without delay. Also, such streets as are reported in bad condition from absence of all pavement, be paved at once, and included in the street-paving contract. These measures are urged as sanitary necessities. *Third*—Disinfection. It is urgently recommended that disinfection of our streets, gutters, market premises and places wherever found in filthy condition, be immediately ordered to be done under the direction of the City Sanitary Inspector, by use of such means as may be devised by the Sanitary Committee. *Fourth*—Police control. It is recommended that in accordance with sections 11 and 12 of the Sanitary code, the Board of the Department of Police be specially requested and ordered to cause to be enforced the following sections of the Sanitary code, by enjoining upon the Police Patrol special watchfulness and arrest of all parties found violating the same, viz.: 1. Food—Sections 29, 30, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38. 2. Filth—Sections 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 95, 98, 100, 102, 103, 106, 108, 109, 112, 113, 114, 117, 119, 120.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,
MOREAN MORRIS,
City Sanitary Inspector.

MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION

Part of a Building Blown Up in Jersey City.

Several Houses Destroyed by Fire---Three Persons Killed and Others Seriously Injured---Suspicious Circumstances Connected with the Origin of the Catastrophe.

The fire in Jersey City, yesterday morning, was one of the most terrible in its consequences that has ever occurred in the history of the city. Little by little throughout yesterday its full extent became known, as the members of the Fire Department gradually unearthed the bodies buried in the ruins. But even yet it is not known that all the dreadful consequences have been discovered, three dead bodies having been found, while of other persons known to have been in the buildings a short time before the fire, no trace has yet been discovered.

The explosion occurred in a drinking saloon on the south-west corner of Washington and Montgomery streets, at about 12:20 o'clock. Policemen and others who were in the vicinity of the building say that the explosion threw down the east and north sides of the old frame structure in which it occurred, and that immediately the interior was enveloped in flames. The buildings in the immediate neighborhood felt the force of the shock, windows and shutters being broken through by the concussion. The fire spread rapidly, and before 2 o'clock A. M. seven stores and the homes of three families were burned out. All the buildings were of wood, cheap, low structures, dry as tinder, and most of them furnished with inflammable material. The one in which the fire first broke out was owned by a Mrs. SMITH, daughter of the late SAMUEL DAVIDSON, to whose estate it formerly belonged, and was occupied by Messrs. DE RUNCEY & MCGHEE, who were engaged in the liquor and fruit selling business, and whose wares occupied the ground floor and the cellar. The building was an old one, newly fitted up and quite respectable in appearance, the upper floor being occupied as a dwelling by Mr. SMITH (whose wife was the owner) and his family. Next to this building, on the Montgomery-street side, was a small two-story frame building, the ground floor of which was occupied by ALEXANDER WILSON, real estate agent; J. W. ELLISON, stationer; HENRY C. POOLE, jeweler; H. AHRONS, fancy goods dealer, and Mrs. B. HAINES, milliner. Each of the stores were narrow little shops, and stocked with a very light supply of goods. The upper floor was occupied by the families of Mr. AHRONS and Mr. HAINES. The fire spread so further than the millinery store, which was only slightly injured, the others being totally destroyed with their contents.

On the Washington-street side stores Nos. 123 and 125 were occupied respectively by J. P. TOWNSEND, butcher, and F. SPENGEMAN, barber; the upper floor by a Mr. SHARPE and W. H. NEAR, with their families. TOWNSEND'S market and Mr. SHARPE'S dwelling were burned out, the barber-shop and dwelling overhead being only damaged by water. The losses are as follows:

The buildings destroyed all belonged to the Davidson estate, and their only material value consisted in the fact that they were located on the most prominent business thoroughfare in the city. They were insured for their full value in Newark and New-York insurance companies, and could therefore be rented at good prices. DE RUNCEY & MCGHEE, the proprietors of the saloon, have an insurance of $7,000 on their stock and $1,300 on their fixtures and furniture, in the following companies: Washington, of New-York, $2,000; Yonkers, of New-York, $1,500; North British Mercantile, of New-York, $2,500, and State, of this city, $2,500. Mr. WILSON, the real estate agent, estimates his loss at $300, which is fully insured. ELLISON'S loss is $800; insured in the Hudson County Insurance Company, of this city, for $600. Mr. WILLIAM H. POOLE, the jeweler, calculates his losses at $2,000, on which there is no insurance. The loss sustained by Mrs. HAINES, the milliner, is valued at $500; insured for $300. G. AHRONS, who occupied the millinery-store adjoining ELLISON'S, has sustained a loss of $1,000 on his stock and $1,000 on the house and furniture. He is fully covered by insurance in the Commercial and Germania Insurance Companies of New-York. FRED. SPENGEMAN claims to have sustained damages to the amount of $600 by water and robbery, his shop having been both flooded and gutted. TOWNSEND, the proprietor of the meat market, sustained a loss of $500, which is fully insured. More terrible by far than the explosion and the destruction of property was the loss of human life, and the incurable injuries inflicted upon others who survive. Three dead bodies have been recovered—others may still lie buried at the bottom of the heap of ruins—and two injured persons have been conveyed to the hospital in a suffering condition. The dead are Mrs. JENNIE SMITH, who lived over the store in which the explosion occurred, Miss EMELINE, sister-in-law to Mrs. SMITH, (a young lady of seventeen years,) and JOHN PERRINE, a boy aged eleven, who resided with the family. The injured are Mrs. ROBERT SHARP and her mother-in-law, Mrs. SHARP. The former, who had recently given birth to a child, was so severely burned upon her hands, face and arms, that it is said she cannot survive. The shock of the first explosion being followed with a rush of flame and smoke, the occupants of the upper floor of the building had barely time to escape. The family of Mr. SMITH was a large one, consisting of eight persons, five of whom escaped uninjured. Mrs. SMITH landed safely down upon the ground, but returned to get her trunk, when the flames caught her clothing, and she was burned to death. Her body was found while the fire was still burning, the falling of the stairway having thrown her lifeless form from the upper room to the ground. The body of Miss EMMELINE SMITH was found among the ruins, burned to a cinder. It is supposed that she was asleep, and did not escape from her room. JOHN PERRINE was not seen after he retired to his room for the night until his blackened and lifeless body was taken out of the heap of ruins yesterday afternoon.

It is barely possibly that the bodies of DE RUNCEY and MCGHEE, the proprietors of the store in which the explosion took place, may yet be found in the ruins, but it is generally supposed that the full extent of the death-list has been reached.

The scenes that attended the explosion, the destruction of the adjoining buildings and the search for the bodies of the dead were witnessed by large crowds of spectators. The first scenes are thus described by an eye-witness: I was standing on the corner in front of the Second National Bank. It was about 12:10. Suddenly I heard a loud report, quickly followed by a second detonation. The wall on Washington-street was blown half way across the street, filling the air with flying bricks and pieces of wood. I was stunned by the concussion, but quickly recovered. I looked across the street and saw the corner building in flames; I ran to box No. 7 and found it had been pulled; I ran back to the burning building and dashed into the butcher-shop and ran up stairs; there I found Mr. SHARP and family hurriedly engaged in packing up their furniture; the children were standing around crying; I knew that the flames would spread rapidly from the nature of the material on which it fed, so I grasped two of the children and carried them to the street. All of this family escaped, as did the family over the barber-shop. I saw a woman jump out of the second-story window over the liquor-store, and heard screams inside the building. It was impossible to reach the interior of the corner house, as the flames had now got complete control. The Fire Department arrived shortly after the explosions, and in as short time the fire was under control.

Christ Church, corner of Fifth-avenue and Thirty-fifth-street, has lately become very prominent in respect to its musical arrangements. The sum of $12,000 is annually applied for the maintenance of the choir. This is undoubtedly the largest sum appropriated for church musical purposes in America.

Companies D and E of the Fifth Regiment were, yesterday, engaged at the Lion Park at sharpshooting practice, which attracted a large attendance of visitors. Companies F and K of the same regiment will engage in a similar drill, at the Hamilton Park, on Wednesday next.

EUGENE ORTNER, of Newark, N. J., yesterday received two severe stabs in the left arm from a knife in the hands of HATTIE ADAMS, with whom he was quarreling at her residence, No. 55 West Houston-street. The woman was arrested by Officer KEANE, and is now locked up.

There was an affray Saturday night at No. 113 Bowery, in which TIMOTHY HARRINGTON was shot and seriously wounded. MICHAEL GEANY, who fired the shot, escaped, but yesterday surrendered himself to Capt. DAVIS, at the Tenth Precinct Station-house.

CHARLES MILLER, of No. 20 Mulberry-street, a German, and MICHAEL CLAREY, an Irishman, of No. 164 Leonard-street, had a fight yesterday, in which the Irishman was severely worsted, having his ears cut and receiving a scalp wound. MILLER was arrested.

The President of the New-York Gas Company says, in reply to the statement of a correspondent whose complaint appeared in the Times, yesterday, that the pavement will be relaid on concrete, and not on sand, in Broadway, near the Bowling-green.

At Essex Market Police Court, yesterday, THOMAS MCSHEELY was committed for trial on a charge of striking ANTHONY ABBERTON, of No. 427 First-avenue, on the head with a butcher's cleaver, on the 3d of July last. There was no provocation for the offense.

Last evening about 8 P. M. a fire broke out in the second story and attic of the frame house No. 37 Baxter-street. The fire was caused by the falling of a gas-fixture. The house was occupied by WILLIAM FETTEN as a lodging-house. But little damage was done.

MARTIN GASS, the assistant foreman of engine No. 32, was yesterday dismissed from the Fire Department for taking a watch from the body of MICHAEL FINN, one of the victims of the *Westfield* disaster, while he, with others, was taking the bodies ashore.

JAMES MULHEARN, of Brooklyn, slightly intoxicated, fell off the front platform of car No. 7 of the Ninth-avenue line last evening. A compound fracture of the arm was the result. Why are not guards put on the front platforms of all street-cars?

ADOLPH WIRTH, of No. 505 East Sixth-street, while at work yesterday on the building No. 26 Rivington-street, fell from the third story to the ground, dislocating and fracturing both ankles. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The St. David's Benevolent Society of this City will hold its fifth annual picnic at Elm Park, Staten Island, on Wednesday, 23d inst. As it is a Welsh society, it is probable that every Welsh family within call will be present.

At the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, MICHAEL NOONAN, of No. 454 West Twentieth-street, was committed for having in his employment an engineer named ANDREW OBERSTHAM, who had no license.

About twenty bids for paving, sewering, curbing, guttering, &c., were to have been opened yesterday by Commissioner TWEED and Controller CONNOLLY, but the opening has been postponed until noon today.

CHARLES BARBER, aged eleven years, residing at No. 1,309 Second-avenue, fell, yesterday, from a swing on the roof of the house, and striking his head against the chimney received injuries from which he died.

Union-square begins to present the same desert and up-turned look which marked Washington-square for so many months. Thus far, no special object seems to be held in view except pulling down trees.

It is hardly likely that the Union Depot, in Forty-second-street, will be opened Sept. 1, as was intended. There is yet a great deal to be done in the enormous edifice before it can be made ready.

A fire broke out last night in the rear of No. 78 Crosby-street, occupied by A. OTT & CO., hat manufacturers. The fire burnt through into a carpenter-shop occupied by H. S. PAPE. Damage trifling.

Justice DOWLING yesterday committed JOHN D. PRESTON and THOMAS C. BRYANT, on a charge of stealing three tickets from New-York to New-Orleans, worth $150, from SYLVESTER STRUPP, of Hoboken, N. J.

Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER is said to be engaged on an elaborate review of the life of WASHINGTON IRVING. He is an admirer of that writer, and is in possession of many quaint stories of his life.

An Irishman named COLLINS committed suicide yesterday by swallowing Paris green at his residence, No. 10 Gansevoort-street. Intemperance was the cause. He was forty-four years old.

JAMES HOOLAHAN, last night, in a drunken fight with his wife, knocked her down and injured her so severely that she had to be sent to the Park Hospital. HOOLAHAN was arrested.

MARIA BURKE, a beggar, while receiving alms from FREDA ROSENTHAL, of No. 710 Fifth-avenue, stole a parcel from her containing $40 worth of clothing. She was held to answer.

ALBERT C. WILLIAMS was committed by Justice Dowling, yesterday, at the Tombs Police Court, on a charge of stealing shawls worth $66 from H. HENNEQUINS, No. 143 Duane-street.

Judge HITCHCOCK, of Ohio; Judge MCGARY, of New-Orleans; Prof. J. M. B. SITT, of Michigan, and Gen. HUNTER, of the United States Army, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

At the United States District Court, yesterday, twenty-one barrels of whisky, seized at No. 34 Platt-street for want of being properly stamped, were condemned by default.

GEOFFREY MEYER, aged twenty-three years, while delirious, yesterday, jumped overboard at Pier No. 9 East River. He was rescued by Officer GRIFFITHS and locked up.

Hon. D. K. MCCARTHY, of Syracuse; Col. M. TODD, of the United States Army; D. RUIZ, of Washington; Hon. H. J. KIMBALL, of Georgia, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

WM. THOMPSON, aged thirty-five, of No. 6 Carlisle-street, while on an excursion, yesterday, on the *Walter Sands*, fell down the hatchway and broke his arm.

PATRICK HANNIGAN was committed to answer yesterday for assaulting Officer THOMPSON, of the Twenty-eighth Precinct, dislocating his arm with a blow of a club.

Hon. R. H. MAURY, of Richmond, Maj. T. J. ECKERSON, of the United States Army, and Col. F. A. MELHADO, of New-Orleans, are at the Grand Central Hotel.

Gov. REED, of Florida; Gen. JUDSON KILPATRICK, of New-Jersey, and ROBERT T. LINCOLN, son of the late President LINCOLN, are at the Astor House.

The stockholders of the proposed Elizabethport and Staten Island Ferry have paid in about $40,000 of the capital stock of the Company.

California fruit is quite common in the City, especially pears, which, however, very soon rot after being exposed to the open air.

K. SCHLOZER, German Minister to Washington, and A. MORI, Japanese Minister to Washington, are at the Brevoort House.

Pay-master FRANK BISSELL, of the United States Navy, and Rev. Dr. THOS. MIDDEMIS, of Ireland, are at the Hoffman House.

The ancient order of Red Men have their annual picnic at Rheinhaut Park, foot of Sixty-second-street, East River, today.

The Board of Assistant Aldermen was to have met yesterday, but a quorum failed to appear.

Car-hooks have been abolished on the Broadway line, and chains are used instead.

Commodore LE ROY, of the United States Navy, is at the New-York Hotel.

Capt. TIBBITTS, of the steamer *City of Boston*, is at the Everett House.

Music at Tompkins-square at 5½ P. M.

Visit of Albany Militia.

Major SCHWARZMANN'S Cavalry squadron arrived in this City yesterday morning by the Albany steamer, and was received by the First and Third Cavalry Regiments and Capt. KLEIN'S Independent Cavalry squadron, by whom the visitors were escorted to the Bellevue at the foot of Eightieth-street. A committee, of which Col. BUDKE was chairman, had made ample arrangements to entertain the visitors at the Park, which, during the day, was visited by a number of officers and members of the City militia organizations.

Eichenkranz Festival.

The festivities of the Eichenkranz Musical Society, which, about a year since, was formed by the consolidation of two other societies, and since then has been rapidly gaining in popularity, took place yesterday, at the Rhenhurst Park. It was largely patronized by the numerous friends of the organization. A feature of the affair was a burlesque performance, representing a "fenian orchestra," and other comicalities, which caused an unlimited amount of amusement. The festivities were concluded by a Summer night's festival, which was continued until late.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

GEORGE BYRNES, who committed an outrage in the chamber of the Board of Aldermen, about a year ago, was yesterday committed to the Tombs by Recorder HACKETT.

A decline in the profits of the Erie Railway Company has forced an unwonted economy upon the Directors. An official printed salary reduction notification has been sent all employes. Over 100 have been dismissed from the General Office, and the following departments discontinued: Bureau of Records, Bureau of Economy, Way Bill Department. The Way Bill business has been transferred to the Auditor's Department.

JAMES RILEY, driver of stage No. 164 of the Eighth-street line, was arrested, yesterday, by A. S. EVANS, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for driving a disabled horse. When ordered to stop, RILEY, who was evidently the worse for drink, struck at EVANS with his whip, and was very abusive. He was locked up in the Fifteenth Precinct Station-house, and afterwrrd committed by Judge COX on the double charge of driving a lame horse, and assault on the officer.

On Saturday evening, at 9½ o'clock, MICHAEL GEARY was shot by an unknown man in the Bowery Garden, and taken to the Police Head-quarters, where his wounds were found to be of a serious character. Yesterday TIMOTHY HARRINGTON presented himself at the Tenth Precinct Station, and stated that he shot GEARY in self-defense. Judge SCOTT committed him to await the result of the injuries.

The Umbrella Makers met last night at Cooper Institute, their President, Mrs. E. M. LEONARD, in the chair. It was expected that Mrs. WOODHULL would speak there, and, in fact, she was there a little while previous to the calling of the meeting to order. Receiving no request to speak—the President had not then arrived, she left—and the meeting was simply a routine business meeting.

The North-eastern Saengerbund held a meeting last evening, at Germania Hall, to settle the financial affairs of the late Singing Festival. It appearing that the loss on the Festival amounted to between $3,000 and $4,000, a levy of $3 a head on the singers was resolved upon to supply the deficiency.

It is often a matter of wonder to the average pedestrian whether the owners of new buildings have the right to occupy the sidewalk with lumber or perhaps fence it in and turn the entire foot travel into the street. On Broadway this is always the case somewhere, to the great discomfiture of the public.

Christ Church, corner of Fifth-avenue and Thirty-fifth-street, has lately become very prominent in respect to its musical arrangements. The sum of $12,000 is annually applied for the maintenance of the choir. This is undoubtedly the largest sum appropriated for church musical purposes in America.

Companies D and E of the Fifth Regiment were, yesterday, engaged at the Lion Park at sharpshooting practice, which attracted a large attendance of visitors. Companies F and K of the same regiment will engage in a similar drill, at the Hamilton Park, on Wednesday next.

EUGENE ORTNER, of Newark, N. J., yesterday received two severe stabs in the left arm from a knife in the hands of HATTIE ADAMS, with whom he was quarreling at her residence, No. 55 West Houston-street. The woman was arrested by Officer KEANE, and is now locked up.

There was an affray Saturday night at No. 113 Bowery, in which TIMOTHY HARRINGTON was shot and seriously wounded. MICHAEL GEANY, who fired the shot, escaped, but yesterday surrendered himself to Capt. DAVIS, at the Tenth Precinct Station-house.

CHARLES MILLER, of No. 20